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Incorporating REVIEW OF INTERNATIONAL BROADCASTING  
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WORLD OF RADIO 1709:

\*DX and station news about: Australia, Bolivia, Brazil, Canada, Canary Islands non, Central African Republic and non, Chile, Cuba, Czechia, Ethiopia and non, Greece, Iran, Korea South, Kuwait, Malaysia, MExico, Mongolia, Oklahoma, Per', Russia, Solomon Islands, Ukraine, USA, Vanuatu, unidentified

SHORTWAVE AIRINGS OF WORLD OF RADIO 1709, February 20-26, 2014

|           |      |            |                                    |
|-----------|------|------------|------------------------------------|
| Thu 0430  | WRMI | 9955       | [confirmed]                        |
| Thu 1330  | WRMI | 9955       | [confirmed]                        |
| Thu 2201  | WTWW | 9475       | [confirmed]                        |
| Fri 0426v | WWRB | 3195       | [not on the air!]                  |
| Sat 0730  | HLR  | 7265-CUSB  | Hamburger Lokalradio               |
| Sat 1530  | HLR  | 7265-CUSB  | Hamburger Lokalradio               |
| Sun 0030  | WRMI | 9495       | [confirmed]                        |
| Sun 0030v | WTWW | 5085       | [not aired; something else played] |
| Sun 0501  | WTWW | 5830       | [confirmed]                        |
| Mon 0400v | WBCQ | 5110v-CUSB | Area 51                            |
| Tue 1200  | WRMI | 9955       |                                    |
| Wed 0730  | HLR  | 7265-CUSB  | Hamburger Lokalradio               |
| Wed 1400  | WRMI | 9955       | [on northwest antenna]             |
| Wed 1530  | HLR  | 7265-CUSB  | Hamburger Lokalradio               |
| Thu 0430  | WRMI | 9955       | [or 1710 if ready in time]         |

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WORLD OF RADIO PODCASTS HAVE RESUMED starting with #1701:  
Tnx to Dr Harald Gabler and the Rhein-Main Radio Club.  
[http://www.rmr.de/index.php?option=com\\_podcast&view=feed&format=raw&Itemid=156&lang=de](http://www.rmr.de/index.php?option=com_podcast&view=feed&format=raw&Itemid=156&lang=de)

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DXLD YAHOOGROUP: Why wait for DXLD? A lot more info, not all of it appearing in DXLD later, is posted at our yg without delay.

When applying, please identify yourself with your real name and location, and say something about why you want to join. Those who do not, unless I recognize them, will be prompted once to do so and no action will be taken otherwise. Here's where to sign up:  
<http://groups.yahoo.com/group/dxld/>

\*\* AFGHANISTAN [non]. 11595, Feb 13 at 1448, SW Asian music, poor signal with deep fades, cut off at 1459\* amid announcement. HFCC and Aoki show this is VOA R. Ashna in Pashto 1430, then Dari 1500-1530, both 100 kW, 88 degrees from Biblis, GERMANY; but what happened to the second half? There should not have been any transmission break between the languages (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

re: ``11595, Feb 13 at 1448, SW Asian music, poor signal with deep fades, cut off at 1459\* amid announcement.``

1430-1500 11595 BIB 100 kW / 088 deg WeAs Pashto Radio Ashna, ex 17580  
1430-1500 11825 WOF 300 kW / 075 deg WeAs Pashto Radio Ashna, ex IRA  
1430-1500 12140 KWT 250 kW / 070 deg WeAs Pashto Radio Ashna

1500-1530 11825 WOF 300 kW / 075 deg WeAs Dari Radio Ashna, ex IRA  
1500-1530 12140 KWT 250 kW / 070 deg WeAs Dari Radio Ashna

1500-1530 17580 BIB 100 kW / 088 deg WeAs Dari Radio Ashna, ex 11595,  
re 17580

Full B-13 schedule of Voice of America and affiliate stations:  
<http://swldxbulgaria.blogspot.com/2014/02/b-13-of-voice-of-america-and-affiliate.html>

-- 73! (Ivo Ivanov, QTH: Sofia, Bulgaria, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Tnx, Ivo; so in the meantime IBB had decided to split the Biblis transmitter between 11595 for the Pashto and 17580 for the Dari, but why? Because they can (Glenn Hauser, DXLD)

\*\* ALASKA. Morning all; good signal from KNLS at 0900 UT on 9655 kHz with start of the Chinese programme. Not as strong as the previous hour but fully copyable. Sinpo 3,4,4,3,3. The interval signal is coming in quite well at 1000 UT on 9615 with the start of the English programme. Some splatter from either side of this frequency, though (Russ, North Ferriby, Cummings, AOR7030+, 60ft long wire, North Ferriby, East Yorkshire, UK, 16 Feb, BDXC-UK yg via DXLD)

\*\* ALBANIA. 7389.980, Just heard interval signal of Radio Tirana morning Albanian service to southern Europe, at 0759 UT, into extended station announcement at 0800-0801 UT Feb 13, also SW frequencies to EUR and NoAM, as well as telephone number at Tirana broadcasting house given to ring-in. S=9+25dB signal here in southern Germany (Wolfgang B,schel, wwdxc BC-DX TopNews 14 Feb via DXLD)

This 20 Hz offset just about fits the fast SAH I sometimes hear around 0630 on 7390 when main occupant is France - assuming RFI ISS is close to on-channel (gh, DXLD)

\*\* ALGERIA. Algeria in mourning --- Interesting to note that the three days (12-14 February) of official mourning after last Tuesday's air crash have resulted in the MW channels normally well heard here playing only western classical music. The different channels are still heard with separate streams (e.g. 549 and 891), with brief "Jil FM" IDs on the former between the tracks. Quite a change from Jil's usual music (Chris Greenway, England, Feb 14, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

I object! Why should ``western classical music`` which covers the entire range of human emotion, be associated with mourning??? Unless of course it is a requiem, etc. (gh, DXLD)

\*\* AMSTERDAM ISLAND. FT5ZM team is now QRT with 170,010 QSOs in the log. According to the FT5ZM Web page on February 12th: "They went QRT a little earlier than expected to try and beat out a storm. The seas are already very rough and the storm isn't due to arrive until this

weekend. They were unable to finish loading the Braveheart and have to wait until morning to try again; 0100z." Then on February 13th, pilot station Valerie, NV9L reported: "I just got off the phone with WB9Z. All the team members are now safely aboard the Braveheart as of 05:20z. The Braveheart crew is currently securing the Zodiac as the French wave goodbye from the shores. There is a strong storm right behind them. This should make for rough seas [sic] but favorable winds pushing them to Perth."

As of press time and as per the FT5ZM log available on ClubLog <<http://www.clublog.org/charts/?c=FT5ZM>> the breakdown is as follows as of 0220z, February 12th, 170010/QSOs and 36302/Unique (Modes - 94972/CW, 62986/SSB and 12052/RTTY). By Continent: 1342/AF, 19/AN, 37781/AS, 84667/EU, 41983/NA, 2714/OC and 1504/SA. Before you QSL, PLEASE remember that the FT5ZM's DXpedition was budgeted for 450,000 USDs and has NOT yet met that amount. QSL via N200. The FT5ZM QSL processing order is as follows:

- a. OQRS DIRECT (via ClubLog)
- b. DIRECT MAIL
- c. OQRS bureau (via ClubLog)
- d. Regular incoming BUREAU

For more details, see their Web page at: <http://www.amsterdamdx.org>  
Also, watch their media links at:

Facebook - <https://www.facebook.com/FT5ZM>

Twitter - <https://twitter.com/FT5ZM>

(Ohio/Penn DX Bulletin No. 1150, February 17, 2014, Editor Tedd Mirgliotta, KB8NW, Provided by BARF80.ORG (Cleveland, Ohio), via Dave Raycroft, ODXA yg via DXLD)

FT5ZM went QRT from Amsterdam Island at 0220 UT on 12 February, a little earlier than expected, because the team wanted to leave as quickly as possible to avoid a bad storm which was heading their way. The Amsterdam DXpedition team made a total of 170,000 QSOs with 36,300 uniques. The OQRS on Club Log has been enabled. The Daily DX reports a couple of minor glitches. First, "when OQRS was initially enabled the email address associated with the OQRS payment was entered in error. This was corrected as soon as it was discovered. For those who requested a QSL from FT5ZM via OQRS, please check your PayPal account. If the payment status indicates "unclaimed" simply cancel this transaction and submit a new OQRS request. If you have any questions please send an email to [gregg.w6izt\[ @\]gmail.com](mailto:gregg.w6izt@gmail.com)"

Second, "several people have reported OQRS on Club Log does not allow another OQRS request, despite the clearly marked button that says 'request again'. This seems to be a problem with those using Explorer web browser but does work with Firefox (and probably others). If you can not get it to work it might be worth trying another Web browser such as Firefox, Safari, Chrome, etc." (425 DX News, ibid.)

Does anyone know if there is any regular HF utility activity from

Amsterdam Island, perhaps weather or marine communications? (evidently there is no airport, or did the hams just like the boat trip on high seas?) I've tried searching but keep reaching some place in Europe. If so, WTFK? Might be listed under St. Paul Islands (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

\*\* ANGOLA. 4949.76, RNA-Canal "A", Mulenvos, 1930-1947, fim do noticiário, com resumo dos principais pontos, seguindo-se rubrica do canal Rádio 5, para o Jornal Desportivo; 44433, QRM adj. de estação, ponto a ponto.

4949.76, idem, 2003-, 15/2, texto, canções; 45333; mas nível de modulação extremamente baixo. o que se traduziu num sinal sem préstimo. 73 (Carlos Gonçalves, PORTUGAL, radioescutas yg via DXLD)

\*\* ARGENTINA. 6060, RNA, 16/02 0007 UT. Comentarios de varios partidos y transmisión del partido entre Racing y San Lorenzo. SINPO: 54454 con QRM de varias emisoras sin ID, // 15345 con la misma programación; no hay d'plex con LRA-1 en 870 AM con SINPO: 55555; // 750 R N Córdoba, SINFO: 33333, // 910 San Juan, SINFO: 22222; // 780 Libertador de Mendoza de propiedad RTA S.E. con SINFO: 44444; // LRA-1 870 con programa cultural y de historia con SINFO: 45544 (Claudio Galaz, Rx: Tecsun PL-660, Antena: Hilo largo de 5 metros, QTH: Barraza Bajo, Comuna de Ovalle, IV Región, Chile, condiglista yg via DXLD)

15344.60, RAE, Feb 13 2242-2256, 35433, Spanish, Talk, ID and IS at 2255 (Kouji Hashimoto, JAPAN, RX IC-R75, NRD-525+RD-9830, NRD-515, NRD-345, Satellite 750, DE-1121; ANT 70m Sloper Wire, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

15345v, Feb 16 at 0129, silly ballgame pauses a moment for R. Nacional ID; fair with flutter, and no attempt to pinpoint the frequency, but with BFO it's fluxuating by Doppler, I think, rather than transmitted that way, like WINB. No sign of an LTA feeder with a game on 13363.5-LSB, nor 15820-LSB; nor Chile 12365-USB (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

\*\* AUSTRALIA. 3210 kHz Back On Air --- Message received from Craig Allen today: ``Hi Richard, Can you please advise fellow members 3210 Khz is back on air, 100 watts NVIS from Razorback NSW. Regards Craig Allen`` (via Wayne Bastow, 0848 UT Feb 18, ARDXC mailing list via WORLD OF RADIO 1709, DXLD)

Got the same e-mail here. Phil Ireland (Bathurst) sent me a text earlier to say he is hearing it well, including on his portable PL880 in the house. Now I've finished work for the evening, I'm also receiving it S8 on the Racal 6790, very readable. "Vintage FM" IDs, but mostly continuous oldies. Regards (Craig Seager, NSW, 1146 UT,

ibid.)

I should have said that Phil logged it at 0810 UT with continuous 50s rock and roll on his Alinco DX R8T and G5RV. Another Phil (Brennan) in Darwin is hearing it vaguely, not strong enough to ID. Regards (Craig Seager, 1209 UT Feb 18, ibid.)

3210, "Vintage FM The music you've grew up with" [sic] 18FEB2014 observed from 1300, 1950s-60s rock. Reasonably loud in Sydney / Australia in English.

<http://vintagefm.com.au/>

Transmitter site located 90 km south-west of Sydney city. Not heard before. License OK in ACMA database. 1 kW into vertical, callsign: AXA225 (Nick Hacko VK2DX, 1337 UT Feb 18, dxldyg via WORLD OF RADIO 1709, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Very interesting, Nick! Today was a rare morning for me, as I did not check 3210 or 5050, as I was busy with other stations. These frequencies formerly were used by Craig Allen's station "Ozy Radio," which is expected to be reactivated (Ron Howard, San Francisco, 1358 UT Feb 18, ibid.)

1915 UT, fair signal with talk of drunk driving campaign to reduce road deaths on NSW roads and local food grocery specials advert. Sydney phone numbers given, etc. Then into 50s hits. Regards (Bill, Adelaide, South Australia, UT Feb 18, WORLD OF RADIO 1709, ibid.)

100 watts on air ex Razorback 40 km southwest of Sydney, 18/2/14  
Regards Johnno (John Wright, NSW, 0408 UT Feb 19, HCDX via DXLD)

Altho replying to unrelated message I assume meant to be about 3210 station. ``Ex`` meaning out of, rather than formerly (gh, DXLD)

3210: Audible (just) in Brisbane amid domestic noise with AR1747/RP2100 on whip antenna, so seems to be getting out well.  
(Ian Johnson, Brisbane, QLD, 1004 UT Feb 19, ARDXC via DXLD)

Feb 19, on 3210, checked at 0844 UT (Sydney sunset) and subsequently, to only hear open carrier; well below threshold level. By 1045 some very faint audio starting to make it through the noise level. 1135 to 1215 was able to hear music with announcer saying a few words between selections. Music type as reported by others (some 1950s rock & roll), but mostly what sounded like 1940s ballads (big band vocals?), per attached poor audio; best heard with headphones. A tough copy, but Craig's signal did make it to the west coast of NA. Too much noise with the weak signal to get an ID or even make out language, but the music not too bad. Had problem with blanket type noise (Local? Unusual for me to have local noise!) about 1215 or so that totally covered up

reception and covered a good portion of the band.

So the good news is the audio very slowly improved after first getting some at 1045. With better conditions reception might not be too bad.

Seems they are not on 5050. At 1123 heard BBR (China) in Vietnamese and some English sound bites, along with AIR Aizawl test tone. At 1128 tone ended and went to AIR IS; faintly heard under BBR. Did not hear anything else. Thanks to Nick Hacko for the original dxldyg alert! (Ron Howard, San Francisco, dxldyg via WORLD OF RADIO 1709, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

\*\* AUSTRALIA. 2485, VL8K Katherine NT, 1200 to 1220 fading in with om chat, nothing on OZ 2325, 14 February (Robert Wilkner, Pûmpano Beach, South Florida, 746Pro, Drake R8 Modified, Sony 2010XA, wire antennas, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

4835, VL8A, Alice Springs NT, 1339, Feb 14. Live coverage of cricket match between Australia and So. Africa; poor-fair (Ron Howard, San Francisco at Ocean Beach, CA, Etûn E1, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

\*\* AUSTRALIA. 21740, Feb 14 at 2117, huge signal from RA in English, and as always round this daypart, the OSOB! What a pity that countless other Pacifican, not to mention, Asian and American countries, have \*no\* interest in SW broadcasting on this band when it's wide open to N America. 21740 is officially of course only for the Pacific (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

\*\* AUSTRALIA. ABC boss Lynley Marshall defends overseas broadcasting

<http://www.smh.com.au/federal-politics/abc-boss-lynley-marshall-defends-overseas-broadcasting-20140217-32wjh.html>

Perhaps it's worth contacting the Australian embassy in the USA to advocate the importance of public service international broadcasting. RC (Rich Cuff, Internetradio mailing list via DXLD) Viz.:

The Sydney Morning Herald

By Daniel Flitton, Senior Correspondent, February 17, 2014

The chief for the ABC broadcasting into the Asia Pacific insists the taxpayer funded network has a growing audience with better programs on the way - despite reports the service is for the chop in the May budget.

ABC International boss Lynley Marshall stoutly defended overseas broadcasts as a way of promoting Australia, saying the spread of social media and mobile devices in Asia has vastly extended the

potential audience.

She told a Melbourne audience on Monday evening the service had more than 1 million supporters on its Facebook page for learning the English language.

"Imagine if we converted just 10 per cent of that number to come and study in Australia," Ms Marshall said, adding the ABC had struck partnerships with local websites to extent its reach.

"So when people comment on our services and say we've only got a tiny audience, or only expats, it is because they are not understanding the strategy.'"

But she conceded the troubled Australia Network television channel, run by the ABC on a government contract, has been guilty of presenting a "hodgepodge" of programs.

The goal of the network is to promote Australia's image in the region, in a manner similar to the BBC World Service or the US Voice of America.

Commercial programs, such as Home and Away, are broadcast alongside ABC News bulletins and football matches but the programming has been panned as dull and repetitive.

Ms Marshall said despite some media reports, the Foreign Affairs department was positive about a new strategy hammered out for the network in July and the ABC was "hopeful and confident" there would be time to demonstrate results.

Foreign Minister Julie Bishop's office had assured the ABC no decision had yet been taken on the future for the Australia Network, Ms Marshall said.

A report in The Australian newspaper this month stated the Abbott government intended to scrap the service, unhappy with the cost and programming.

Former foreign minister Alexander Downer has also been a vocal critical of Australia Network, which presents a mix of news, sport, lifestyle and light entertainment programs to more than 40 countries.

Ms Marshall said in a speech to the Australian Institute of International Affairs on Monday that improving the content of a television station took time, and commissioning and producing fresh programs had been held up during a protracted battle for the rights to run Australia Network.

The Gillard government put the service out to tender in 2011 but was heavily criticised for intervening in the process after an independent panel recommended Australia Network be awarded to Sky News.

The ABC was then awarded permanent rights to run the network.

Ms Marshall said the embassies from each of the countries where Australia Network is presented had been involved in the drawing up the new strategy.

The ABC has been criticised by Coalition figures for broadcasting stories on Australia Network that have caused government embarrassment, including details of leaked documents revealing Australia spying in Indonesia.

But Ms Marshall said why there was a "natural tension" inherent in international broadcasting, a free and independent media was a cornerstone of any democracy and a value Australia cherished.

She said the 3.3 billion mobile subscribers in Asia offered an enormous potential audience and other nations, including China, had boosting their international offerings.

She said a trial of a service targeting expatriate Australians was being run in Hong Kong.

Read more [?]:

<http://www.smh.com.au/federal-politics/political-news/abc-boss-lynley-marshall-defends-overseas-broadcasting-20140217-32wjh.html#ixzz2tmdXVLmj>  
(via Mike Terry, dxldyg via DXLD)

**\*\* AZERBAIJAN [and non]. AZERBAIJAN'S "SPY NETWORK" CHARGE ESCALATES PRESSURE ON RFE/RL JOURNALISTS February 18, 2014**

<http://www.rferl.org/content/azerbaijans-spy-network-charge-escalates-pressure-on-rferl-journalists/25268641.html>

Wednesday, February 19, 2014 Communications / Press Releases

Accusations of espionage were made against two journalists from RFE/RL's Azerbaijan Service this week, marking an escalation of longstanding campaigns to silence them.

Investigative reporter and Radio Azadliq journalist Khadija Ismayilova was summoned to Azerbaijan's Prosecutor General's office February 18 as a witness in a criminal case for revealing state secrets, several days after media reports accused her of spying for the U.S. Also this week, Radio Azadliq correspondent Yafez Hasanov received death threats

and accusations of working as a "foreign agent" via Facebook.

An article published on February 13 on Haqqani.az, a pro-government website, accused Ismayilova of passing along information discrediting members of Azerbaijan's political opposition to two U.S. congressional staffers who were in Baku, allegedly to gather intelligence.

The article was picked up by other pro-government media and amplified by leading members of the Azeri parliament, who demanded an investigation of Ismayilova and referred to RFE/RL as a "spy network of the U.S. in Azerbaijan."

Developments escalated Tuesday when Azeri authorities opened a criminal case against Ismayilova after she posted a scan to her Facebook page that appears to be a contract used by the Ministry of National Security to hire an informer. Stipulating terms and threatening blackmail, the document suggests evidence of the government's efforts to infiltrate the political opposition.

RFE/RL President and CEO Kevin Klose called these latest attacks "alarming," adding, "Accusations of espionage in pro-government media against dissidents and independent voices were common during the Soviet era, and we are seeing them again in many of the states that emerged from the Soviet Union. These latest accusations are absurd -- and dangerous. I believe they are politically motivated and fabricated to persecute our colleagues."

The U.S. Embassy in Baku in a statement today also called the allegations of intelligence gathering "absurd." (via Hansjoerog Biener, DXLD)

\*\* BANGLADESH. 4750, Bangladesh Betar 1150-1245 fade out, subcontinental music, om and yl at 1210, 5 February (Robert Wilkner, PUmpano Beach, South Florida, 746Pro, Drake R8 Modified, Sony 2010XA, wire antennas, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

\*\* BANGLADESH. 15505, Bangladesh Betar, 1410 Feb 2 in Urdu talks S9 (Zacharias Liangas, Thessaloniki, Greece, not posted until Feb 16, DX LISTENING DIGEST) I check for this every few days but so far not propagating like it was last fall; come on, spring. I can hardly wait to clock the off-time signals again (Glenn Hauser, OK, DXLD)

15505, Bangladesh Betar, 1513, Feb 18 musical IS repeated until 1514:15 time pips, ID, music, 1515 man with Hindi program. Fair (Harold Sellers, Vernon, British Columbia, Listening in my car, beside the lake, with the Eton E1 and Sony AN1 active antenna, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

\*\* BELARUS. Belaruskaye Radio 1, Minsk-Kalodzicy, 7255 kHz. 0520 UT Feb 18, Talk by YL in Belarussian followed by Station ID by OM and Russian style Pop music. Fair to Good signal S8/9

Radio Belarus, Minsk-Kalodzicy, 6155 kHz. 2150 UT Feb 18, European rock music followed by station ID and End of English broadcast at 2200. Weak and barely above the noise floor. S4 (Nick Rumpel, Kannapolis, North Carolina U.S.A., Receiver: Yaesu FRG - 100, Drake R8, Antenna: 220 ft. Inverted L Longwire, Homebrew 1 Meter MagLoop, Cumbre dx yg via DXLD)

\*\* BOLIVIA. Band scan La Paz/El Alto ñ late January 2014

Reception downtown La Paz, Bolivia. Daytime only; DX-stations not included. All stations ID'ed unless otherwise stated. Some stations with limited schedule (i.e. Sundays only, weekdays only etc.) ñ and many stations close down quite early evenings local time. A few stations with more or less distorted modulation. RDS is generally not used on FM.

580, Radio Panamericana, La Paz  
620, Radio San Gabriel, El Alto  
650, Radiodif. Integraci3n, El Alto  
680, Andina, La Paz  
700, Radio Pacha Kamasa, El Alto  
720, Radio La Cruz del Sur. ¡Las buenas nuevas de salvaci3n ñ somos Radio La Cruz del Sur!  
739.85, NEW: Radio Pueblo de Dios  
760, Radio Fides, La Paz  
800, NEW: Radio Play, La Paz. ¡107.5 ñ Radio Play!  
820, Radio Altiplano Advenir, La Paz. ¡Radio Altiplano Advenir 820 AM. Sinton¡a de esperanza!  
840, Radio Atipiri, El Alto. Quite rare ñ seldom heard.  
880.1, NEW: Nueva Radio Jacha, La Paz. S/off noted at 0200 UT.  
900, La Popular, La Paz. ¡La programaci3n mas estelar del 2014 ñ la de La Gente 88.9 y La Popular 900 de amplitud modulada!  
920, Radio Bartolina Sisa, El Alto. Probably weekdays only.  
940, Radio Metropolitana, La Paz  
961.4, NEW: Unid. Noted with s/on 0930 UT. Mostly religious screaming. Sometimes relay of Radio Taypi (1000 kHz).  
980, Radio Mar, La Paz. ¡M's m'sica, m's diversi3n, m's not¡cias, sintoniza Radio Mar - m's radio!  
1000, Radio Taypi, La Paz. ¡Radio Taypi ñ Radio Taypi ñ La Mil AM!  
1020, Red Patria Nueva, La Paz. (Please note correct name: RED Patria Nueva ñ and not ¡Radio!)  
1059.9, NEW: Radio Presencia de Dios ñ Ministerio de Evangelismo.  
1100, NEW: Universal Radio Continia. ¡Transmite Universal Radio Continia en 1100 amplitud modulada! (Not 100% sure of ¡Continia!)

1120.05, Radio Celestial, El Alto  
 1160, Radio Continental, La Paz. Announces 2160 kHz (sic!): ¡Están escuchando Continental. La radio que nos informa, que nos alegra, y moviliza .. es tu radio syndical, trabaja en onda media en 2160 kHz Radio Continental. Tu compañía permanente, transmite desde La Paz, Republica de Bolivia, Corazón de Suramérica!  
 1180, NEW: Radio La Voz de Dios. Religious screaming and crying. (IDs very rare)  
 1200, NEW: Radio Carlos Palenque, La Paz. ¡La voz de los sindos. La voz de los que gallan por miedo. Radio red ñ transmitiende 1200 de amplitud modulada. Palenque de comunicaciones. La radio que sintoniza el pensamiento - la voz y sentimiento del pueblo!  
 1220, NEW NAME: Radio Nueva Splendid, La Paz. ¡Nueva Splendid ñ una emisora informativa, cultural, educative y musical!  
 1260.1, NEW: Emisora Sonido do Carrodetupeca (rather uncertain about this ID, but I don't think the ID was Radioemisoras Unidas))  
 1300, Radio Sol ñ Poder de Dios, El Alto.  
 1360, NEW: Radio Cordiale, La Paz. ¡Desde la capital revolucionaria del mundo, cada syndical de comunicaciones. La voz de trabajadores Radio Cordiale 13-60 amplitud modulada!  
 1400, Radio Nacional de Bolivia. Probably weekdays only.  
 1420.3, NEW: Unidentified religious. (Several recordings but no ID)  
 1440, Radio Batallón Colorados, La Paz. (IDs are rare)  
 1480.05, Radio Amor de Dios, El Alto  
 1520.3, Radio La Luz del Tiempo, El Alto. (IDs are rare)  
 1540.25, Radio Bendita Trinidad y Espíritu Santo, El Alto  
 1559.55, NEW. Radio Luz de Mundo. ¡..de la señal en camino de la salvación  
 1560, en amplitud modulada!. (Continuous preaching; IDs are rare)  
 1580, Radio El Fuego del Espíritu Santo, El Alto  
 1600.1, La Voz del Espíritu Santo, El Alto

6025, Red Patria Nueva, El Alto  
 6105.4, Radio Panamericana, La Paz

87.5, Radio Fejuve, El Alto  
 87.7, Unid. music station with ads for "Movimiento [sic] Sociales"  
 87.9, Unid.  
 88.1, Comercio 88.1, El Alto  
 88.5, Doble 8  
 88.9, Radio Gente  
 89.3, El Sonido de la Vida  
 89.5, Unid.  
 89.7, Salesiana  
 89.9, Concierto FM  
 90.1, Unid. religious station. Preaching  
 90.7, Panamérica Clásica 90.7 ñ no ID - classical music  
 91.0, Unid.

91.3, Radio Ciudad  
91.6, Radio Impacto  
91.9, Unid.  
92.2, Unid.  
92.5, Estelar  
92.8, Angora  
93.1, ...xito FM  
93.7, Chacaltaya  
94.0, "Sensacion" de buena sabori (not sure)  
94.3, Red Patria Nueva  
94.6, La Voz de la Esperanza  
94.9, Unid.  
95.2, Radio Cruz del Sur  
95.5, Radio Fiesta, La Paz  
96.1, Radio Panamericana  
96.5, Estacion Sureño [sic] (not sure of ID)  
96.7, FM La Paz  
97.3, Stereo 97  
97.7, Radio Las Vegas  
97.9, Mundial es la radio total  
98.2, FM San Gabriel 98.2 es tu radio a todo color  
98.5, Radio Show, La Paz  
98.8, Restauracion FM  
99.1, Melodia 99.1 es la major Radio Latina  
99.4, Radio Fericomiyen - tu radio minera (not sure of ID)  
99.7, Christo Viene  
100.3, Radio Mar  
100.6, Constelacion FM  
100.9, Erbol - Radio San Miguel. Announcing a major change is due  
101.5, Radio Fides (s/off noted at 0200 UT)  
101.8, Huayna Tambo.  
102.1, BBN  
102.4, CTNK 102.4 Red Zonica.  
102.7, Radio Disney  
103.0, Unid.  
103.3, Deseo 103.3  
103.6, Unid.  
103.9, Unid.  
104.2, Radio ...xitos  
104.5, RQP  
104.7, Unid.  
104.8, Frecuencia Militar Latina 104.8  
105.1, Unid,  
105.4, Radio Qhana es tent. es no ID heard  
105.7, CVC La Voz  
106.3, Radio Compañera  
106.6, Radio Maria (RDS ID)  
106.9, Radio France International (in French and Spanish)

107.2, Radio PasiŨn Boliviana. No ID heard.

107.5, Radio Play. //800 kHz

107.8, Unid. religious

108.0, Radio Independencia

Best 73's (Stig Hartvig Nielsen, La Paz - Bolivia, RX: Perseus SDR, AERIAL: Wellbrook loop and FM dipole, Feb 19, Hard-Core-DX mailing list via DXLD)

\*\* BOLIVIA. 3310, Radio Mosoj Chaski, Cochabamba 0030 to 0036 noted with weak signal on 14 February, same time previous days (Robert Wilkner, PŨmpano Beach, South Florida, 746Pro, Drake R8 Modified, Sony 2010XA, wire antennas, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

\*\* BOLIVIA. 4699.9, Radio San Miguel, Riberalta 2335 to 2345 on 6 February with weak om espa0ol signal, seems off 2300 to 0030 on some scans (Robert Wilkner, PŨmpano Beach, South Florida, 746Pro, Drake R8 Modified, Sony 2010XA, wire antennas, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

\*\* BOLIVIA. 4716.65, Radio Yatun Ayllu Yura, Yura 0000 to 0025 fair signal, with music 15 February (Robert Wilkner, PŨmpano Beach, South Florida, 746Pro, Drake R8 Modified, Sony 2010XA, wire antennas, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

4717-, Feb 14 at 0058, R. Yura no doubt on characteristic off-frequency, very poor to poor but enough for some music to be heard. A month ago, Bob Wilkner measured it on 4716.65. Stig Hartvig Nielsen visiting Bolivia doesn't split kHz, but said it's just R. Yura, forget the Yatun etc., stuff as in listings (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

\*\* BOLIVIA. 5952.474, Emisora Pio XII, 0045-0100 Feb 15, Noted a male in Spanish Language comments with a female. Signal was at a very low level (Chuck Bolland, 26N 081W, Clewiston FL, Excalibur, DX LISTENING DIGEST) Hope he has calibrated measurement now (gh)

\*\* BOLIVIA. 5952.40, R. Pio XII, Siglo XX, 10/02 2329-0005+ 44444 mxf px en quechua ads PolitEcnico Agropecuario SimŨn Bolĭvar news en quechua y espa0ol en cadena con Radio Arco Iris; mx ads Universidad Nacional Siglo XII [sic]. ID iPio XII, la radio que hace pueblo, Pio XIIĭ. NOTA: ahora 5952.40 antes 5952.50

6025.00, R. Patria Nueva, La Paz, 12/02 2345-0010 44444+ px Noticiero Bolivia Informa para el sistema de Patria Nueva news varias en espa0ol y quechua, ID "Faltan 10 minutos para las 8 de la noche en Patria Nueva" ID "Un mensaje de solidaridad de Patria Nueva"

NOTA: adjunto slogan musical de la radio que por primera vez la

escucho, muy bonita, escúchenla Slogan ¡Es Patria Nueva, desde Bolivia por la unidad e integración, informaciones, gran compañía, tu escuchar's, es Patria Nueva contigo est...í

La recepción la he efectuado del 27/01 al 17/02 en compañía de mi sabueso Icom IC R72 acompañado del Mizuho KX-3, una antena de hilo largo de 12 metros y una antena loop. Recuerden que las grabaciones que adjunto, ser·n mejor escuchadas con los audífonos. Muchos 128's PFA (Pedro F. Arrun·tegui, Lima, Chaski DX Feb, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

\*\* BOLIVIA [and non]. Heard this morning and also now at 2341 UT, Radio Patricia [sic] Nueva, La Paz, on 6024.96 kHz. China is strong on 6025, but you can hear Spanish under this frequency. The music and spoken words are the same as on the webstream. Time this morning was at 0730 UT, and Radio Patricia [sic] was alone on the frequency. Perseus SDR and vertical. 73, (Maurits Van Driessche, Belgium, 2350 UT Feb 16, Hard-Core-DX mailing list via DXLD) it's a new fatherland, Patria, not a new Patricia (gh, DXLD)

\*\* BOLIVIA [and non]. 6135-, Feb 14 at 0005, Spanish station with big het; 0007 timecheck for 20:07 ``en Radio Santa Cruz``, and music. RSC is on the low side, but what is the hetter on the hi side? Can't make out any audio from it, nor at 0057, and woefully incomplete HFCC shows \*nothing\* on 6135 between 2200 and 0300. So it must be R. Aparecida, Brasil, as in Aoki, which is overcomplete.

My keyboard matches the het pitch to Ab5 which per my handy bookmark to Physics of Music-Notes, <http://www.phy.mtu.edu/~suits/notefreqs.html> is 831 Hz (rounded from two decimal places). So I haven't made a direct measurement of RSC tonight, but it's usually around 6134.8, only 200 Hz or so low. So R. Aparecida is probably about 630 Hz high on this occasion; known to vary more than Santa Cruz. Final recheck at 0114, they are still hetting each other. If it's this bad here, how can it be circumbolivia? (Glenn Hauser, OK, WORLD OF RADIO 1709, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

6134.85, Radio Santa Cruz, 0035-0100 Feb 15. At tune in, noted steady music with no breaks. Signal was fair this evening (Chuck Bolland, 26N 081W, Clewiston FL, Excalibur, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

6134.8, Feb 16 at 0123, jazz and soon Radio Santa Cruz ID, no het now, as R. Aparecida has departed since last check at 0110; see BRAZIL. I was expecting RSC to go off first (Glenn Hauser, OK, WORLD OF RADIO 1709, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

\*\* BRAZIL. Aqui em Marica chegando com bom sinal, Limeira ainda no ar em 2380; alguem pode confirmar? (Sarmento Campos, Sent from Nokia, 15

Feb, radioescutas yg via DXLD)

Sim, Sarmiento. A Rádio Educadora de Limeira, 2380 kHz continua no ar. Sintonizo-a com sinal muito bom no sítio do meu Pai, em Silvânia-GO, QTH Rural, ruído/QRM zero. 73, (Cássio Santos - Goiânia-Goiás, ibid.)

\*\* BRAZIL. 3364.85, Brasil, Rádio Cultura, Araraquara, SP, 0110 noted till 0200 in Portuguese, 14 February (Robert Wilkner, Pûmpano Beach, South Florida, 746Pro, Drake R8 Modified, Sony 2010XA, wire antennas, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

\*\* BRAZIL. 4865.00, BRASIL, R. Verde[s] Florestas, Acre; 6/02 1105-1140 44444+ mx tocan mx en forma continua ID Completo ID iRadio Verde Florestaî escuchar grabaciûn adjunta.

4875.00, BRASIL, R. Dif. Roraima, Boa Vista, 29/01 1006- 1030 22222 mx y news mx y ads ID iEn la frecuencia de 4875 kHz y 590 onda media, Radio Difusora .. Brasil..î NOTA: a las 1024 hay bastante ruido y ellos quedan de fondo

5035.00, BRASIL, R. Aparecida, Aparecida; 12/02 2302-2338 22222 px religioso sobre la Virgen Aparecida, fue necesario escucharla en LSB ID iRadio Aparecidaî

5939.86, BRASIL, R. Voz Missionaria, Cambori`, SC, 2/02 2325-2345 33333 px religioso Dios es amor ID iVoz Missionaria, Radio Voz Missionaria 5940 kHz, Voz Missionariaî (escuchar grabaciûn)

5970.00, BRASIL, R. Itatiaia, Belo Horizonte; 11/02 2330-0005 33333 ads mx px transmisiûn de partido de f'tbol NOTA: No dan ID.

6080.00, BRASIL, R. Marumby, Curitiba, PR, 2/02 2350-0010 33333+ mx con motivo religioso ID ``Radio Marumby, Marumby`` (cançiûn), (escuchar grabaciûn adjunta) mx religiosa.

6180.00, BRASIL, R. Nacional da Amazonia, Brasilia; 3/02 2335-2350 44444++ px transmisiûn deportivo de b'squet Flamengo con Minas // 11780.

9515.00, BRASIL, R. Novas de Paz, Curitiba; 3/02 0015-0045 44444 varias polîticas y deportivas mx, no escucho ID

11780.00, BRASIL, R. Nacional da Amazonia, Brasilia; 3/02 2330-2350 44444 en // 6180kHz ID iRadio Nacional (escuchar grabaciûn) px momentos musicales mx

La recepciûn la he efectuado del 27/01al 17/02 en compaõia de mi sabueso Icom IC R72 acompaõado del Mizuho KX-3, una antena de hilo

largo de 12 metros y una antena loop. Recuerden que las grabaciones que adjunto, ser·n mejor escuchadas con los audífonos. Muchos 128¥s PFA (Pedro F. Arrun·tegui, Lima, Chaski DX Feb, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

\*\* BRAZIL. 4875, Brasil, Rdif Roraima, Boa Vista RR, 0012 to 0015 with lively music in Portuguese, very strong signal 15 February (Robert Wilkner, Pûmpano Beach, South Florida, 746Pro, Drake R8 Modified, Sony 2010XA, wire antennas, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

\*\* BRAZIL. [Re Ga'cha, below] Nem sempre estas divulgaÁies tem fundamento. A R·dio Difusora de TaubatÊ quando divulga suas frequências cita 4925 kHz. Garanto para vocís que ela n,,o transmite em Ondas Curtas h· muitos anos (Paulo Labastie, 14 Feb, radioescutas yg via DXLD)

\*\* BRAZIL. 4985, Brasil, R·dio Brasil Central, Goi,nia, 0010 music, no rtty for once, om vocal into yl vocalist, 0025 m'sica rom·ntica, possible cover for English song, 0100 chorale music, no ID heard 15 Feb (Robert Wilkner, Pûmpano Beach, South Florida, 746Pro, Drake R8 Modified, Sony 2010XA, wire antennas, and XM, Cedar Key, South Florida, NRD 525D, R8A, E5, via Wilkner, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

4985, Feb 16 at 0101 finds few signals from S America, and the only readable Portuguese here, i.e. R. Brasil Central, with the usual heavy RTTY taking Saturday night off. Nothing audible on 11815, RBC //, not propagating or off? Lots of flutter on all Brazilian signals including RNA on 6180 (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

\*\* BRAZIL. 5035, R. Aparecida, Aparecida SP, 2141-2205, 14/2, A Voz do Brasil, seguindo-se o programa Com a M,,e Aparecida, ¤s 2202; 45433.

5035, R. EducaÁ,,o Rural, Coari AM, 2201-2214, 14/2, retransmiss,,o do programa Com a M,,e Aparecida, da R. Aparecida; cerca de 1" [segundo] de atraso no ·udio; 23431. 73 (Carlos GonÁalves, PORTUGAL, radioescutas yg via DXLD)

\*\* BRAZIL. 5130 inconfidencia --- Sinal fraco mais limpo; ser·esp'rio? Sent from Nokia (Sarmiento Campos, 20:16 [local UT -3?] 15 Feb, radioescutas yg via WORLD OF RADIO 1709, DXLD)

5130 kHz: batimento gerado pela prûpria emissora entre as TX de OC e OM devido a potÍncia e a proximidade das antenas: 5130 kHz = 6010 (TX OC) - 880 (TX OM). 73¥s (Renato Uliana, <http://www.amantesdoradio.com.br> ibid.)

\*\* BRAZIL. R·dio Ga'cha ondas curtas --- De hora em hora a Ga'cha divulga "um meio de pegar a r·dio." Nesses an'ncios, tem divulgado as ondas curtas de 49m e de 25m, citando as frequências. Tenho escutado

diariamente. Antes n o citavam as ondas curtas. Boa mudan a. 73 (Luiz Chaine Neto, Limeira SP, 13-2-2014, radioescutas yg via DXLD)

H  um equivoco em parte desta informa  o. Moro em Porto Alegre e falei com o engenheiro t cnico. A R dio Ga cha transmite em ondas curtas s mente em 49 metros, 6020 kHz; a freq  ncia de 25 metros [11915v] foi locada para a R dio Novo Tempo, religiosa (Paulo Roberto Peres Michelin Michelin, Porto Alegre RS, ibid.)

\*\* BRAZIL [and non]. 6135.85 approx., Feb 16 at 0110, big het and some Portuguese audible tuning USB, so R. Aparecida. Nothing audible on 11855, off or not propagating? The other signal being of course BOLIVIA, q.v.

R. Aparecida's new (?) transmitter has been wandering a lot but is stronger now, unfortunately for R. Santa Cruz. Other reports of it recently: Bryan Clark, NZ: 6134.90 at 0824 Jan 19; 6135.77 at 0708 Feb 6; only carrier 6135.85 at 0829-0917+ Feb 5. Dave Valko, PA: 6136.68, at 2335 Feb 7.

6135+, Feb 18 at 0056, big het, no doubt BOLIVIA on the lo side, and R. Aparecida on the hi side. Can make out some music on the upper, so compare it to 9630-; yes, sounds the same altho not with two receivers for exact //. Then at 0106 I can make out some Portuguese on the lo side of 9630. At 0136 again hearing same music on both.

Not trying to measure either this time, but Bryan Clark, NZ, had Aparecida on 9629.79, Jan 19 at 0824; and Dave Valko, PA, on 9629.657, Feb 7 at 2335. Nothing audible here on 11855v, and too much slop from Cuba on 5035v. But what's the other station on 9630? Aoki & HFCC show it must be CNR1 from Geermu site, CHINA, just starting at 0100 (Glenn Hauser, OK, WORLD OF RADIO 1709, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

\*\* BRAZIL. Radio Marumby 9515 --- Para Informes de Recep  o eu uso este endere o:  
R dio Marumby Ltda  
Avenida Paran , 1885 - Boa Vista  
C.E.P: 82510- 000 - Curitiba - PR  
(41) 3257-4109  
(J. Carlos PU20LT, Visite: <http://qsldobrasil.blogspot.com>  
radioescutas yg via DXLD)

\*\* BRAZIL. SRDA, 9586.4 kHz --- SRDA usando el antiguo transmisor de R dio Globo de R io de Janeiro, como siempre corrido de frecuencia: esta vez hacia arriba de la fundamental, al contrario de lo que ocurre casi siempre:  
<http://youtu.be/S0-ec4FMQ3o>  
(Rodolfo Tizzi, Uruguay, 1709 UT Feb 14, condiglista yg via DXLD)

Rodolfo, Este transmissor em 9585 est. em São Paulo, assim como 6120 kHz, sempre corridos, É verdade. Boas escutas. 73 (Samuel Cássio, São Carlos - SP, Brasil, ibid.)

\*\* BRAZIL. 9629.7, R. Aparecida, Aparecida SP, 1909-1935, 14/2, rubrica Cantinho Sertanejo (?), com canções e conversa com os ouvintes, e, já 1930, a revista de notícias Jornal dos Jornais; 33442, QRM adjacente. 73 (Carlos Gonçalves, PORTUGAL, radioescutas yg via DXLD)

\*\* BRAZIL. 9664.05, R. Voz Missionária, Camboriú SC, 1932-1949, 15/2, propaganda religiosa - mas eles e outras que tais não têm, verdadeiramente, mais nada de útil para emitir?! 34332, QRM adjacente. 73 (Carlos Gonçalves, PORTUGAL, radioescutas yg via DXLD)

\*\* BRAZIL. 11765, Feb 16 at 0131, SRDA Miranda poorly audible aside 11760 RHC, the only ZY to be heard on 25m besides 11780 RNA. No sign of 11735, 11815, 11855, 11915-algo, or 11925-Chinese. Are they all off by now? (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

\*\* BRAZIL. 11854.85, R. Aparecida, Aparecida SP, 1939-1957, 14/2, revista Jornal dos Jornais; 35443. Nesse dia e naquela hora, foi o melhor (quase o único) sinal brasileiro nos 25 m. // 9629.7. 73 (Carlos Gonçalves, PORTUGAL, radioescutas yg via DXLD)

\*\* BRAZIL. 15191, R. Inconfidência, Belo Horizonte MG, 2220-, 14/2, rubrica Desporto pelo Ar; 22441, QRM da GNE [sic], em 15190. // 6010.03. 73 (Carlos Gonçalves, PORTUGAL, radioescutas yg via DXLD)

\*\* CANADA. 6030, CFVP, Calgary, 2309 Feb 14, Valentine's Day special, woman comedian describing how she met her comedian husband, ID as i24-7 Comedy. Fair (Harold Sellers, Vernon, British Columbia, Listening in my car, by the lake, with the Eton E1 and Sony AN1 active antenna, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

\*\* CANADA. [Re 14-07:] (Mainland): 6070 CFRX. They're BACK: Thanks to a tip from Don Moore, who snarfed it from Chris Lobdell, I heard them 'in the mix' with Radio Habana Cuba. Pretty much under RHC, but occasionally rising to the top, with clear mention of "NewsTalk 1010" and a PSA for a "Drug Free Canada" (Have they mentioned this to Mayor Ford?) as well as snippets of English wafting above the Spanish now and then. Mostly unusable, but there. Wonder if maybe they are not running full power, or if it's just the usual 'skip' phenom that makes them better during the day than in the evenings? 32+4+31+, up to 3+3+4+32+ by the BoH, 0300-0335 12/Feb (Ken Zichi, MI, MARE Tipsheet Feb 14 via DXLD)

6070, CFRX Toronto ON Canada, 1238 12-Feb Heard weather, & traffic report for Toronto. At 1239 ID "NewsTalk 1010" The station was in the clear. No Spanish heard, moderate to heavy fading S7 to S9 heavy local static (Gary Vance, Grand Ledge MI, MARE Tipsheet, Feb 14 via DXLD)

6070, CFRX Toronto (Mississauga transmitter) ON; 1511-1525+, 12-Feb; "In-depth Radio, News-Talk 10-10" call-in program about drunk driving; Jessica Baker with Time-Saver traffic at 1517 ó Bayview closed for sink-hole repair; spot for Billy Bishop Toronto City Airport -- no mention of an NDB. SI0=454- fady; // 1010 CFRB barely audible but detectable //.

2001, 12-Feb; newstalk1010.com spot into local news; items about Ron Ford demonstrators. SI0=354- peaks with fades. // 1010 CFRB now much better than during 1500.

2305, 12-Feb; TSB 1-50 Sports Update into Live Drive. SI0=4+54 & 1010 CFRB now slightly better. Too much Habana during 04 & 05 & nothing detectable during 06 (Harold Frodge, Midland MI, MARE Tipsheet Feb 14 via DXLD)

6070, CFRX, ON, Toronto, English with Several 'LiveDrive' and 'NewsTalk 1010' non-IDs, Financial News and jolly announcers talking about retirement investing, investing in "RSPs" (The oppressed equivalent to IRAs), etc. In OK, 3+4444, even with the computers and other noisemakers around my office. MF Het from somewhere. Using my RCA 816K circa 1938 16 tube console radio and a 3 foot chunk of wire on the floor of my office; 2207-2222 12/Feb (Ken Zichi, Howell MI, MARE Tipsheet Feb 14 via DXLD)

6070, Feb 13 at 0631 check, CFRX is JBA vs Vatican 6075; at 1304, local news is poorly audible in noise level. I suppose the best window for CFRX will be 0500v-0627v, i.e. after Cuba goes off and before Vatican comes on, but I've yet to try it. Also presumably after Vatican from 0700, and before Cuba until 2400. So far, it seems to me that CFRX is much weaker than it had been before it vanished on Sept 5, per DXLD 13-37. So is it running less than one kW now and/or with inferior antenna?

Ken Zichi in Williamston MI, replied earlier: ``Hi Glenn -- I'm in their daytime groundwave 'footprint' here in Michigan, and indeed they have been audible (better than at night) during the day -- it appears they are on 24/7 -- at least they are there whenever I've checked yesterday and today. Apparently whatever was broken in their SW transmitter is now fixed. At night they suffer from EXTREME QRM from Cuba and sometimes 'skip over my head' so reception is actually better during the day than at night here. 73 //Ken Zichi``

[and non]. 6070, Feb 13 at 2222, checking for reactivated CFRX  
Toronto: it's just barely audible, much weaker than e.g. 6090  
Anguilla, which is much weaker than 6115 WWCW, which of course counts  
on 100 times the nominal power of CFRX and no doubt a much higher gain  
rhombic antenna.

I was going to recheck before 2400 as RHC is to come on 6070 at 0000,  
and at 0001 UT Feb 14, it's not yet too late: no RHC on 6070, and CFRX  
is much better now, tho RHC is spluttering from 6060. ``Newstalk 10-  
10`` attributions in news, but \*0003 RHC carrier on, quickly ramping  
up power and overcoming CFRX, tho I can still make out an item about  
Mayor Ford before RHC modulation cuts on less than a minute later,  
just as they are mentioning a joint R. Rebelde/RHC program, apparently  
the music-fill hour sounding like folk Andean for starters. After that  
we can forget about listening to CFRX for the next five hours, as the  
best it can do is provide a bit of QRM to Cuba, q.v., making a low  
audible het (LAH) as Wolfgang B. schel has measured CFRX 36 to 42 Hz  
low, and RHC is presumably closer to nominal. How long will frequency  
manager Arnie prolong his ``bully`` reputation? (Glenn Hauser, OK,  
WORLD OF RADIO 1709, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

6070, Feb 14 at 0624, it's still hard to hear CFRX during the  
sesquihour between RHC and Vatican, as the other RHC frequencies, and  
sometimes the Tennesseans, are overloading the FRG-7 on 49m,  
desensitizing weaker channels, and applying attenuation is not enough  
to clear them up vs weakening the desired signal (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX  
LISTENING DIGEST)

\*\* CANADA/GERMANY. 6069.954, CFRX Toronto noted with fine S=6 signal  
in CA-US remote unit at 0715 UT Feb 14. Phone-in program.

Despite instead in Europe noted German pop music station 'of the  
sixties' from Rohrbach Waal with poor tiny S=4 signal on 6069.992 kHz,  
i.e. Radio Channel 292 from Rohrbach Waal site (Wolfgang B. schel,  
wwdxc BC-DX TopNews Feb 14, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

6070, CFRX, Toronto, 2342 Feb 14, starting to fade in, talk about  
wines, per sked posted by Glenn Hauser on the ODXA YG Feb 12th this  
would have been iLive Drive! with John Tory. Very poor (Harold  
Sellers, Vernon, British Columbia, Listening in my car, by the lake,  
with the Eton E1 and Sony AN1 active antenna, dxldyg via DX LISTENING  
DIGEST)

Presumably them on measured 6069.958 on the Perseus at 0628 at fair  
level. Glad to hear them back, especially since we thought that it  
might never return to SW. 73, (Walt Salmaniw, Victoria, BC  
UT Feb 16, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

\*\* CANADA. QSL LETTER & PENNANT FROM VFF IQALUIT MCTS --- The MCTS Iqaluit, confirm with QSL, letter, magnetic cards, 50th anniversary pennant and brochure the navtex transmission of 0330 UT on 8416.5 kHz in 4 months. V/S Jean Pierre Lehnert Officer in charge. Report sent to: MCTS Iqaluit PO BOX 189 IQALUIT - NU X0A 0H0 - CANADA. Pictures available here:

<http://blog.libero.it/radioascolto/?nocache=1392323796>

73's de (Francesco SWL 5639 Cecconi, CENTRAL ITALY, Feb 13, playdx yg via DXLD)

\*\* CANADA. 21405/USB, VE6CQ, Calgary Alberta working (but not actually talking to) hams from Europe including ON7KL from Belgium, and D01FBP [sic] from near Frankfurt, all of whom were clearly audible here. The guy from Germany clearly wanted to practice his English and have a chat, but the dude from Calgary would have nothing to do with him other than to say 'you're 59 -- next'. He did remind him that he didn't QSL however.

So let me get this straight. You don't want to talk, you won't QSL and you only wanted to hear from hams in Europe. What exactly is the point of talking to someone from Europe if you won't actually TALK with them? I guess I don't 'get' this aspect of ham radio. All parties were in well, VE6CQ was 3+54+44 and both of the mentioned calls were 35443+ here. 1740-1745 9/Feb (Ken Zichi, Pt Hope MI2, MARE Tipsheet Feb 14 via DXLD)

\*\* CANADA [non]. ITALY/ROMANIA, 7290, Radio City via IRSS Milano, \*1900-1920, 14-02, tuning music, male, identification, "This is Radio City, the station of the cars", pop music. 34433 (Manuel MÈndez, Lugo, Spain, Logs in Reinante, Lugo, Sony ICF SW 7600 G, cable antenna, 8 meters, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

\*\* CANARY ISLANDS [non]. Re: NORBERT REINER: Hi, try Horizon FM Tenerife on 5780 kHz; here at Karlsruhe the signal is S 2-3; they announce their SW-frequency also on the web-site <http://www.horizon.fm> Nice surprise. Best 73, Norbert

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(via Dario Monferini, 0100 UT February 16, WORLD OF RADIO 1709, DXLD)

Time of original notice unknown

Horizon FM Tenerife has started broadcasting on shortwave on 5780, 75 watts at the moment, short English announcement on their website. More at

<http://maresmedx.blogspot.co.uk/2014/02/qs1-horizon-fm.html>

Plans a power increase to 1 kW within the next three weeks

<http://members7.boardhost.com/PirateRadio/msg/1392568069.html>

YouTube recording of reception

<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=xGrhYL70WoA>

(Mike Barraclough, 1954 UT Feb 16, dxldyg via WORLD OF RADIO 1709, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Hearing this station on 5780 now with strong signal here from tune-in at 2110 UT. It is currently relaying Atlantis FM from Tenerife, parallel the audio feed at <http://www.atlantis.fm>

Audio is very good, but it sounds much stronger than 75 Watts! 73s

(Dave Kenny, Caversham, AOR 7030 + 25m long wire, Feb 16, BDXC-UK yg via WORLD OF RADIO 1709, DXLD)

S8-9 signal with little interference on Twente receiver at 2123, SINPO 34443 here on an Eton E5 with whip.

Christoph Ratzer on the BDXC-UK has just posted "the transmitter location is more than questionable." (Mike, 2125 UT Feb 16, dxldyg VIA DXLD)

Yes, strong signal, I heard them also today 1650-1730 UT with Atlantis FM - signal S-7-8 and not much fade but noisy background sound like an electric fence or so. 73 (John Vinther Nielsen, Herning, Denmark, Perseus SDR and DX-one, Feb 16, BDXC-UK yg via DXLD)

5780.01 - UnID station with music and OM DJ at 2140. Very weak signal and significant static level. Noise is too high to even get a positive on language. Music seems to be some type of pop variety. Definitely western as opposed to Middle Eastern/Afro/Asian styles. Utility QRM also coming up for brief moment. Just too much noise and not enough signal to get any, even tentative, program details (Stephen Wood, Harwich, Mass., Perseus SDR, 25 x 50 N/E terminated Superloop (half of

which is now on the ground after last night's blizzard knocked a tree limb down on to the antenna), dxldyg via WORLD OF RADIO 1709, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Clear "Atlantis FM" ID heard at 2150. Seems to be subject to deliberate QRM by variable carrier and briefly notes of anthem now over them at 2152 on frequency. Heard on Utwente websdr (Horacio Nigro, Uruguay, ibid.)

Atlantis FM from Canary Islands relayed probably by a Western/Central European pirate on 5780 kHz now at 2210. 73, (Mauno Ritola, Finland, dxingwithcumbre yg via WORLD OF RADIO 1709, DXLD)

Before 2200 UTC 'Atlantis FM' on 5780 was suffering some deliberate interference from variable tones, then a station playing the Dutch, then British, National Anthems. Now seemingly in the clear again with Sky News at 2200, local ads and Frank Sinatra and other ballads for Valentines Day. SINPO 35433. 73 (Alan Pennington, AOR 7030plus, longwire, Caversham, UK, 2210 UT Feb 16, BDXC-UK yg via DXLD)

Most of the channels on shortwave are now so empty, so you can listen to small powered PIRATE station from Ireland - not Spain - in 50 mb now. Shortwave broadcasting is already so far degenerated into insignificance? 73 (Wolfgang B, schel, 2217 UT Feb 16, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

5780, Feb 16 at 0237, no signal from Horizon FM, following tip from Norbert Reiner, Germany, via Dario Monferini, that this Tenerife station had been heard with a SW relay! And they mention it on their website <http://www.horizon.fm/>

Appears to be an all-English station with British connexions; for expats, tourists? Is this a local low-power transmitter or hired time somewhere else, to be heard ``all over Europe``? Hours? On AM? Further pursuit mandatory! (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Maybe the local U.K. nationals of BrDXC-UK can contact Andrew at phone # +44.1342327842 to ask for his recent activities on Irish pirate installation?

IRELAND re 5780 kHz small PIRATE radio station relay of Atlantis FM.

For Canaries discussion: on <<http://www.horizon.fm>> below is a link to "922 Media Group" showing the connection of Horizon & Atlantis. The domain is registered at <[atlantis.fm](http://atlantis.fm)> by Andrew Yeates, probably best known in the community by "Euronet Radio" and "Laser Radio" [euronetmedia@gmail.com](mailto:euronetmedia@gmail.com) details you get via U.K. phone number +44.1342327842

After his activities had collapsed in Latvia, he had turned to the  
Canaries years ago.

His old website <www.euroradio.com> references for years to  
<www.atlantis.fm>

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#### Domain Information

Query: atlantis.fm

Status: Active

Created: 31 Dec 1999 05:00 PST

Modified: 31 Dec 2013 03:12 PST

Expires: 30 Sep 2014 07:00 PDT

Name Servers:

ns1.servage.net

ns2.servage.net

#### Registrar Information

Registrar Name: dotFM

Registration URL: <http://www.dot.fm>

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(Wolfgang B,schel, 0450 UT Feb 18, WORLD OF RADIO 1709, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Hans Johnson has been in telephone contact with Horizon FM and they insist that the transmission is from north part of Tenerife. They carry Horizon FM from Friday evening until 1000 Sunday and then Atlantis FM till 2200. However, direction finding from south Germany points to UK/Ireland (Mauno Ritola, Finland, Feb 17, dxingwithcumbreyg via WORLD OF RADIO 1709, DXLD)

Re 5780 pirate relay of Horizon FM and Atlantis FM by Andrew Yeates.

Mauno, I'll not be Kiddish. I have great doubt in such statements from the Andrew Yeates Headquarter. It is not an exceptional performance to feed an FM signal from Tenerife to Ireland. Such a NOT strong 75 watt station spreads only from Ireland shortwave location origin into central Germany. Not from the 3500 km distance away Tenerife island. In the eighties years, we heard REE Canaries on 11815 and 15365 kHz instead. Even a 49 meter band signal from REE Madrid [1500 km away] was always becoming on weaker level here in Central Europe.

REE used always 15, 11, 9, and/or 7 MHz instead in past five decades.  
73 (Wolfgang B,schel, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Hm, once we had a SW station saying it was broadcasting from San Marino. Much later I was told that (as suspected) the signal was coming from another country in that region ;-)  
73 (Harald Kuhl, Germany, BDXC-UK yg via DXLD)

It's just a matter of vocabulary. For us DXers ibroadcast fromî refers to where the transmitting station is located, whereas for a broadcaster it refers to where the studio is located (RËmy Friess,

ibid.)

[non?]. 5780: Also heard at 2113-2245 (s/off shortly after), Sunday Feb 16, but now relaying another Tourist station: Atlantis FM, Tenerife, heard in parallel to <http://www.atlantis.fm> with audio feed. Clear "Atlantis FM" ID heard at 2150. At 2156-59 two U.K. national hymns were over the pop songs! At 2201-2203 National and international news, followed by an ad and more pop songs, 35243. Nothing was heard on Monday Feb 17 or Tue Feb 18 (Dave Kenny, UK and Horacio Nigro, Uruguay, in DXplorer; Aerenlund Pedersen and Anker Petersen in Denmark, [reports all mixed in together], DSWCI DX Window Feb 19 via DXLD)

I had sent my report to [studio@horizon.fm](mailto:studio@horizon.fm) The quick reply: îGood evening Andy. Many thanks for your e-mail. I can confirm your reception of Horizon FM on Saturday 15th February 2014 on 5780. This signal is from our transmitter site on north Tenerife with a power of 75 Watts carrier feeding an inverted V antenna. We should have some E-QSL designs in a few days. I am building a new output stage to give around 1.1 kW PEP and hope to have this finished in 3 weeks time. Kind Regards, Andy.î It came from [andy@horizon.fm](mailto:andy@horizon.fm) (Andreas Schmid, Euerdorf, Germany, ibid.)

Hallo! up to date news concerning the 5780 kHz relay reported by Norbert Reiner from Germany. The program listened the nights 15 & 16 February was coming from Horizon FM located in Canary Isle; following night the program relay has been from Atlantis FM also located in Canary Isle.

BUT the transmitter for both relays was located in Ireland; this explain the good reception reported in Germany, Catalunya & Italy. The right transmitting place has been reported by Wolfgang Bueschel (WWDXC) & Jerry Berg (Dx plorer).

Wolfgang also found the WEB page of 922 Media Group :  
"For Canaries discussion: on <[www.horizon.fm](http://www.horizon.fm)> below is a link to "922 Media Group" showing the connection of Horizon & Atlantis. The domain is registered at <[atlantis.fm](http://atlantis.fm)> by Andrew Yeates, probably best known in the community by "Euronet Radio" and "Laser Radio"  
[euronetmedia@gmail.com](mailto:euronetmedia@gmail.com) details you get via U.K. phone number +44.1342327842 After his activities had collapsed in Latvia, he had turned to the Canaries years ago. His old website <[www.euroradio.com](http://www.euroradio.com)> references for years to <[www.atlantis.fm](http://www.atlantis.fm)>

Reports sent to Email: [studio@horizon.fm](mailto:studio@horizon.fm) has been verified by Dave nighttime DJ quickly (but he did not revealed the transmitting place).

Plans are for the utilisation of 1 kW transmitter, so do monitorate

the 5780 kHz channel for more exciting programs from the Canaries Isles with relay based in Ireland.

<http://www.media922.es> (Andrew Yeates Media Group)  
<http://www.atlantis.fm> (just great songs for Tenerife)  
<http://www.horizon.fm> (the Canaries hottest station)

Hope these informations may "clear" the original report. 73s (Dario Monferini, Feb 18, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Ciao! Horizon FM 5780 kHz reply with email in 1 day V/s: Andy (mornings DJ) Email : [studio@horizon.fm](mailto:studio@horizon.fm) The transmitter is located in Ireland (Roberto Pavanello, via Dario, playdx yg via WORLD OF RADIO 1709, DXLD)

Canary Islands has a history of such intriguing pirates. Remember this, from DXLD 2-191 over 11 years ago?

\*\* CANARY ISLANDS. Might even have time to take a shot at that Korean station in Las Palmas (a lovely little town, but only one newsstand with the Herald Tribune.) (Gerry Bishop, FL, Dec 4, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

New QSL: CANARY ISLANDS, Full Gospel Las Palmas Church, 6715 kHz USB. I have received today this e-mail QSL [fglc@jet.es](mailto:fglc@jet.es) (Daniele Canonica, Switzerland)

Dear Sir, First of all, I apologize for the reply mail being very late. My father, who is the pastor of the ``Full Gospel Las Palmas Church``, was too busy on doing his jobs, and his is not confident with his English, so I, who is the son of him, will reply your mail although it could be not enough for you.

I thank you very much for hearing our church's broadcast on Austria [sic], and has interest on it. Our church's name is ``Full Gospel Las Palmas Church``, not ``Yoido Full Gospel Las Palmas Church``. ``Yoido Full Gospel Church`` is located in Yoido Seoul, Korea, and it is the church where sent us to here as a missionary. You can find more information about ``Yoido Full Gospel Church`` on <http://fgtv.org>

Our church's frequency is 6715 kHz, and we're using 100 watts output power of the transmitter that is located at our church. The pastor ppal [sic] of the church who is Byung-Sung Chung is the Full Gospel World Mission Association Africa General Council the General Superintendent.

Our church's broadcast is aiming at the Korean crew who work at the fishing ships at the Atlantic Ocean near Africa to hear the live

worship of the church. Therefore, the broadcast of course is in Korean. Here is the brief schedule of the broadcast: [== UT]

Sunday, 11.00-12.30 and 19.00-20.30

Wednesday, 20.30-21.30

Friday, 22.00-24.00

Twice a year, we do the service in English, and as the same, twice a year, we do the service in Spanish too. During our church's service, we translate meantime to Spanish, English, and Chinese. [Dates?]

Approximately, 420 people are coming to our church frequently, and about 480 people are registered (? I didn't know how to explain [members?]). In here, Gran Canaria, many Korean people are taking their career as either a fisherman, or the owner of the fishing company, or the fixer etc. I have enclosed the church's photo inside too. Thank you very much, and we confirm that it was indeed our station that you heard (via Daniele Canonica, Switzerland, RX: JRC 535 D, ANT: T2FD 25 meters, Dec 7, 2002, DX LISTENING DIGEST) end HISTORY

There were a number of other reports about it in that era (gh, DXLD)

\*\* CENTRAL AFRICAN REPUBLIC [non]. UNIDENTIFIED. Also heard weak signal, 17500 kHz, 1700z as reported as new - unID, too weak, Feb 8 (Rich Ray, Burr Ridge IL, dxldyg via WORLD OF RADIO 1709, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Well heard in MO but I missed the s/o [sign on or sign off???]. Heard some really nice reggae riddims during the last 10 minutes (Dave Hughes, Kansas City MO, Feb 8, ibid.)

Aoki:

17500 Radio Ndeke Luka 1700-1730 1234567 Sango/French 250 245 Dhabbaya UAE 2410N 05415E NDL b13 BAB Feb. 3-

And HFCC:

17500 1700 1730 47S,52N DHA 250 245 -15 218 1234567 030214 300314 D 20600 Fra UAE BAB BAB

Sounds familiar: that was a target broadcast to Central African Republic last reported in 2005y, also as early as 2003. Certainly needed even more now. There was talk of comeback on SW 6.5 years ago.

See DXLD 7-109, of Sept 8, 2007:

<http://www.w4uvh.net/dxld7109.txt>

``CENTRAL AFRICAN REPUBLIC. CAR: U N-BACKED RADIO STRIVES FOR NATIONAL COVERAGE | Text of report by state-owned Central African Republic

radio on 5 September

Now it's over to Athanase Karayenga of Fondation Hironnelle [Geneva-based NGO], representing his colleague at Radio Ndeke Luka [Bangui FM station backed by UN and Fondation Hironnelle].

Athanase Karayenga talked with the communications minister about Ndeke Luka's plan to broadcast to the whole country. At the end of the meeting, Mr Karayenga answered questions from [reporter] Ruben Ngoya.

[Karayenga] I discussed Radio Ndeke Luka's plans with the communications minister. We have received two directives from the EU, one of Radio Ndeke Luka's donors, asking us to rework the statutes so that Ndeke Luka becomes a Central African national judicial entity. We hope to complete this by the end of the year. It is possible.

The second directive is to cover the whole country, via shortwave, in the not-too-distant future. These are requests from the European Commission.

I met the communications minister yesterday, when I was in Boali. I met friends at ICDI, a shortwave [religious] radio station broadcasting from Boali, and which could broadcast our programmes for one hour in the morning and one hour in the afternoon, every day.

Source: Radio Centrafrique, Bangui, in French 1800 gmt 5 Sep 07 2007 (via BBCM via DXLD)`` END HISTORY item

R. Ndeke Luka is listed in WRTH 2014 on page 114, and mentions being relayed by ICDI 6030 at 1700-1900.

Homepage does not mention any SW except 6030:

<http://www.radiondekeluka.org/>

Searching the website on 17500 however gets this:

Search\_result

Communication

Category: En Bref

``A partir de ce lundi, Radio Ndeke Luka Émet 30 minutes en onde courte ‡ partir de 17h sur 17500 KWZ en direction des auditeurs des provinces. 3 février 2014``

BTW, I recently saw a news report from Boali, site of atrocities, also home of Radio ICDI. A Christian church was giving refuge to Moslems; or was that somewhere else in CAR?

17500, Feb 17 at 1700-1709, no trace of a signal from R. Ndeke Luka, reactivated target broadcast from a station inside the country. Not surprising as from UAE site, aiming SW across Africa, at about right

angle to USward (Glenn Hauser, OK, WORLD OF RADIO 1709, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Radio Ndeke Luka heard yesterday (17-Feb) 1700-1729 UT on 17500 kHz (via Dhabbaya UAE) with weak but clear signal with mainly French programming to Central African Republic (CAR) SINPO 25432. Station website doesn't seem to mention this new shortwave relay, only local 6030 frequency (is this still on air?).  
<http://www.radiondekeluka.org/index.php>

Also there's a recent article about the station (in English)  
"Crisis in CAR: Radio Ndeke Luka - A Place to Be Heard" at:  
<http://www.hirondelle.org/home-page/8608/?lang=en>  
73 (Alan Pennington, AOR 7030plus, ALA1530 loop, Caversham, UK, Feb 18, BDXC\_UK yg via WORLD OF RADIO 1709, DXLD)

\*\* CHILE. 12365-USB, Portales de Valparaíso: Hola amigos: El feed chileno est· dando el partido entre Everton y Universidad de Chile con el audio de Estadio en Portales de Valparaíso con se0al un poco dÈbil. El audio es el mismo de 840 kHz y sin desfase. Esto me hace abandonar la tesis de la ubicaci0n nortina [sic] del QTH del feed. Pues tengo mala propagaci0n desde el sur de mi QTH. No desde el norte. Y la se0al del feed es dÈbil. 73! (Claudioi Galaz, Chile, 2330 UT Sun Feb 16, condiglista yg via DXLD)

12365-USB, 17/02 0002 UT. R. PORTALES DE VALPARAISO. Transmisi0n del partido de Evert0n versus Universidad de Chile con SINPO: 44422. Adem·s de comerciales de Aseguradora Magallanes, de un Restaurant de Valparaíso y Archi // 840 mismo audio sin desfase con SINFO: 33333; // 1180 R. PORTALES DE SANTIAGO con SINFO: 43343 con 2 segundos de adelante y con distintos comerciales en el entretiempo y final.

Se deja en claro, que el QTH de esta emisi0n, probablemente sea Valparaíso; ya que, la misma tiene las 3 emisoras emitidas en este feeder: Cooperativa, Agricultura y Portales, tanto en Onda Media y FM. TambiÈn, tiene importancia marítima, ya que desde allí se administra políticamente: Isla de Pascua, Isla de Juan Fern·ndez, et al. que est·n hacia el Nor-Oeste de Valparaíso. Así como marítima, por la escuela matriz de la Armada (Claudio Galaz, Rx: Tecsun PL-660, Antena: Hilo largo de 5 metros, QTH: Barraza Bajo, Comuna de Ovalle, IV Regi0n, Chile, condiglista yg via WORLD OF RADIO 1709, DXLD)

\*\* CHINA [and non]. 15510, Gamelan music like Firedrake music jamming appeared already before at 1255 UT Feb 8. Meant against BBC Uzbek language service from Nakhon Sawan-THA, scheduled 1300-1330 UT, Feb 8. \\ 17780 kHz also heavy Firedrake + additional CNR spoken program jamming of S=9+35dB strength, against A'Seela Oman relay outlet. And also some splatter of powerhouse OTHR broadband in up to 17876 kHz 16

mb range (Wolfgang B,schel, Feb 8, wwdxc BC-DX TopNews Febr 14 via DXLD)

MARIANA ISLANDS, 21770, VOA Tibetan sce from Tinian, covered by CNR word jamming program, but jammer feeding line had suffered by some sudden breaks in between. S=9+20dB here in Germany at 0520 UT Feb 11.

At same time CNR jamming also against RFA MRA 21700 kHz.  
17860 CNR jamming of S=9+20 at 0526 UT, against VOA Tibetan.  
17690 S=9+5dB jamming of CNR against RFA Mandarin from Anginian Point Saipan txing center (Wolfgang B,schel, Feb 11, wwdxc BC-DX TopNews Feb 14 via DXLD)

9385-9445, Feb 13 at 1433, extremely distorted FM spurs from CNR1 programming thruout this range but peaking circa 9410-9430, compensating for loss of spurs from WWRB; see U S A.

9390-9450 approx., Feb 16 at 1408, distorted FMy spur range from 9450 CNR1 jammer; peaks in a clear spot around 9425, and also bothering V of Korea 9435 in French, tsk2.

13920, Feb 19 at 1442, CNR1 with YL in Chinese, good with flutter, // but not synch with 9825. So searched 12-18 MHz for more out-of-band jammers, but found none. Assuming they are still prolific, more should be showing up as spring propagation improves (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

\*\* CHINA. 4940, Voice of Strait with Focus on China, 1500-1530, Feb 15 (Saturday). This program in English was preempted during the Spring Festival (Lunar New Year's celebrations), but is back to normal scheduling now; fair with nice IDs between each news item; "You are now listening to Focus on China in Voice of Strait broadcast station," per attached audio.

5860, Voice of Jinling. RE: DXLD 14-06: "New schedule of Voice of Jinling in Chinese from Jan. 20: 1230-1600 on 5860 NJG 100 kW / 161 deg to EaAs, ex 1430-1700 Stable signal in Sofia on Jan. 30 around 1530 till s/off at 1600. (Bulgarian DX blog via Ivo Ivanov, DXLD)

Hi Ivo, Believe we will need to wait until the end of the Spring Festival (Lunar New Year's celebrations) to know for sure just what the Voice of Jinling (VOJ) schedule currently is. Until after Feb 14, probably all stations will be back to normal, but I believe now many Chinese stations are having special programs and unique scheduling..."

I was correct about the extended/erratic schedule being only during the Spring Festival (Lunar New Year's celebrations). Checked Feb 16 to find the usual double sign on; false start at \*1231\*; on for 8 seconds

and off for 32 seconds and then the real start at \*1231; IDs with "FM" reference; sign off at 1504:41\*. Feb 15 sign off about 2 minutes later than that. So back to normal now and conforming to Aoki's info (Ron Howard, San Francisco at Ocean Beach, CA, EtÛn E1, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

\*\* CHINA. 5860, Voice of Jinling, 1455-1505a\*, 10-14 Feb. Fair signal most days with studio chat (2W/1M), <http://www.vojs.cn/> website (Jiangsu Broadcasting Network) read out at 1457, fanfare/chat to TOH & (presumed) ID by M/W, what sound like ads for a minute or 2, then Chinese story-reading & usually closes mid-sentence. Ran past 1530 on 11 Feb. with story to BOH, then music/ID and off. ACI from RFA-5855 (Tinian) after 1500 (with occasional pulse jammer in there) + HLL-5857.5-USB (Seoul Meteorological Radio). (Dan Sheedy, Swami's Beach, CA PL380/G5 + 6m X wire, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

\*\* CHINA. 11990, Feb 14 at 0019, soft SE Asian song with piano, 0021 announcement. HFCC shows it's CRI in Khmer at 23-01, 100 kW, 200 degrees from Nanning site. Numerous other Chinese and E Asian signals are in at this time (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

\*\* CHINA. Several unregistered frequencies of CRI active again Feb. 14  
0700-0757 on 17875 KUN 500 kW / 175 deg to SEAs Cantonese  
0830-0927 on 15115#KUN 100 kW / 175 deg to SEAs Indonesian  
0830-0927 on 17705 KUN 500 kW / 177 deg to SEAs Indonesian  
1700-1757 on 7375 KUN 500 kW / 283 deg to CEAF Hindi  
#QRM Voice of Nigeria in English on 15120  
\*QRM China Radio Int in German on 7380 & Radio Romania Int in French on 7370 (DX RE MIX NEWS # 838 from Georgi Bancov and Ivo Ivanov, Feb. 14, 2014, dxldyg via DXLD)

\*\* CHINA [non]. 6020, CRI, 0147-0153+ 15 Feb. Interesting mix of CRI English (Cerrik, ALBANIA) & Urdu (Kashi-Saibagh, EAST TURKISTAN) today. English // 6075 (Kashi-Saibagh), Urdu // 7360 (K-S).

13740, CRI (Havana) 13 Feb. The techs in Cuba apparently playing silly buggers again. At 1504 just "whoop-whoop" jammer heard with regular CRI English at 1521 recheck (Dan Sheedy, Swami's Beach, CA PL380/G5 + 6m X wire, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

\*\* COLOMBIA. 1030.00, R. Antena 2, Cali, 0601-0620 33333 news deportivas ID "Este periodista de Antena 2 de RCNî news ID iEn Antena 2 Colombia, en la redacciÛn deportiva de Fan·ticos de la nocheî. NOTA: Por momentos se cruza con R. Eco Antena de Guayaquil.

1190.96, R. Cordillera, Bogot·, 30/01 0625-0640 33333 mx px M'sica para recordar ID iEn Radio Cordilleraî mx ID iSon Nuestros Artistas, Radio Cordillera es Todelar" ads maneja con cuidado es una campaõa de

Todelar ID iEscucha Radio Cordillera 1190AM, la m'sica popular est· en Todelarí.

5910.06, Alcarav·n radio, Puerto Lleras; 17/02 1032-1100 33333+ mx px religioso ID 1530AM Alcarav·n radio" mx ID "En su dial 1530AM y 5910kHz en onda corta Alcarav·n radio, desde Colombia" mx ID "En Alcarav·n radio" mx continuamos con nuestro folclor y su m'sica.

La recepciÛn la he efectuado del 27/01 al 17/02 en compaõía de mi sabueso Icom IC R72 acompaõado del Mizuho KX-3, una antena de hilo largo de 12 metros y una antena loop. Recuerden que las grabaciones que adjunto, ser·n mejor escuchadas con los audífonos. Muchos 128ÿs PFA (Pedro F. Arrun·tegui, Lima, Chaski DX Feb, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Audio clips were attached to the DXLD yg post (gh, DXLD)

\*\* CONGO. 6115, 2040, R. Congo - Brazzaville. Tentative reception, French announcements and long sessions of African music. Heard on Jan 21 at Victoria Falls.

Long time Australian DXer from Toowoomba, Queensland, Robert Shepherd, has been DXing in style! With his wife, Rob has been traveling through Southern Africa including Zimbabwe (Victoria Falls), North Eastern Botswana, Zambia and South Africa). Once in Cape Town, they boarded the famous and luxurious Queen Mary II for the long trip back to Queensland, via Durban, Mauritius, Fremantle, Melbourne and Sydney.

With him, Rob has been carrying the DEGEN 1121 receiver and using the inbuilt whip antenna. His logs were made while in Africa and onboard the QM2.  
<http://medxr.blogspot.com.au/2014/02/guest-contributor-dxing-on-queen-mary-ii.html#!/2014/02/guest-contributor-dxing-on-queen-mary-ii.html>  
(Rob Wagner, ARDXC via DXLD)

\*\* CONGO DR. 5066.3, R Tele Candip, Bunia, 1755 14 Feb, px mx loc, 23222. 73 (Mauro Giroletti, Italy, bclnews.it yg via DXLD)

CONGO-Kinshasa, 5066.3, R. TÈLÈ Candip, B`nia, 1936-2006, 14/2, francís, notÍcias locais, canÁies africanas e, apÛs as 2000, m'sica pop' africana; 25432. O fecho da emiss¸o ter· ocorrido escassos minutos apÛs as oito e seis. 73 (Carlos GonÁalves, PORTUGAL, radioescutas yg via DXLD)

\*\* CUBA. 4045-USB, Varadero, 1220 to 1223 motor-sailing vessel regarding weather information for voyage 5 February (Robert Wilkner, PÛmpano Beach, South Florida, 746Pro, Drake R8 Modified, Sony 2010XA, wire antennas, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

\*\* CUBA. 5025, Feb 13 at 0633, R. Rebelde is off again; and another anomaly: 5040, RHC is in Spanish instead of English, while the still overkill 6 MHz quartet are all English: best on 6000, 6165, weakest on 6060, least modulation on 6100 (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

\*\* CUBA. 6070, Feb 14 from \*0003, RHC overrides CFRX, see CANADA. It's the disposable (?) music-fill hour, opening as joint with R. Rebelde, but at 0009 I can't check 5025 for // as it is gone again.

5025, Feb 15 at 0646, R. Rebelde is gone again; any info on a specific less-than-24-hour schedule now? While 5040 RHC is back in English instead of Spanish yesterday.

\*\* CUBA. 9790-9802 & 9819-9831 approx., ever-fluxuating range of buzz field surrounding 9810 RHC transmitter in Spanish, Feb 16 at 0118, which is never especially strong on fundamental (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

[and non]. 6070, Feb 17 at 0416, RHC Spanish suffers from a LAH (low audible heterodyne), tnx to reactivated CFRX Toronto, which is some 40 Hz off-frequency. Hint to CFRX: go a bit further down to make it more annoying to Arnie, as RHC won't move to benefit anything but themselves. Meanwhile, // 6060 RHC is in the clear tho SRDA Curitiba is capable of QRMing (Glenn Hauser, OK, WORLD OF RADIO 1709, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

9580, Feb 18 at 0106, open-carrier, dead air from transmitter supposed to be modulating CRI relay in English, which the neighboring non-communist Albanians have no trouble accomplishing on 9570 (er, really, I think the Cîrrik site is still mostly operated by Chinese).

13780, Feb 18 at 1435, RHC talk modulation is breaking up, but not the musical intervals. So problem is in the mike cord now? Wiggle it (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

\*\* CUBA. 5010 - R. Havana Cuba at 0235 // 5040 in Spanish with IDs & talk by OM. Fair signal, S5, with high static levels. New frequency? or transmitter problems. I have not heard any news about Cuba being on this frequency in addition to 5040 (Stephen C Wood, Harwich, Mass., Perseus SDR, 25 x 50 N/E terminated superloop antenna, UT Feb 19, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

I've heard it too at times, not checked now. Leapfrog mixing product of 5040 over 5025 Rebelde transmitter at same site, another 15 kHz lower. There could also be one on the other side with Rebelde audio on 5055. When Rebelde goes off 5025, these should also disappear. Or when RHC goes off 5040, whichever comes first (Glenn Hauser, ibid.)

Thanks to a tip of Stephen in DXLD tonight, noted two Cuban intermodulations originate from very same broadcasting center site at 0410 UT, Febr 19 on 5010 and 5055 kHz. Latter both S=7 IM signals noted on remote Perseus posts at FL, MA, and CA, fundamentals music from Rebelde of 5025 kHz and RHC Spanish speech to the crowd on 5040 kHz. Both S=9+25 like -48dBm. 73 wb (Wolfgang B,schel, harmonics yg via DXLD)

At 0440 UT logged Arnie Coro's usual Tuesday feature about single sideband transmission and other matter, like actual propagation report read at 0447 UT Feb 19. 6000 kHz proper carrier signal of S=9+25dB here in Germany, but rather UNDERMODULATED signal feed. More punchy signal heard by RHC Spanish section on 6060 with proper MODULATION! \\ 6070 is always poor here in Europe, only S=8 signal. Much better both - strongly carrier and modulation - of Arnie's program noted this European morning on 6165 kHz channel. 73 wb (Wolfgang B,schel, Stuttgart, Germany, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

5010, Feb 19 at 0629, weak music matching 5040 RHC, so the leapfrog mixing product over 5025 R. Rebelde at same site is in play. Can also hear a very poor signal on 5055, leapfrog across the other way. 5010 also had been heard at 0235 Feb 19, by Stephen Wood in MA, who wondered if it was a new RHC frequency.

Are these coming out with more watts than usual? Wolfgang B,schel checked them out at 0410 Feb 19: ``both S=7 IM [intermodulation] signals noted on remote Perseus posts at FL, MA, and CA, fundamentals music from Rebelde of 5025 kHz and RHC Spanish speech to the crowd on 5040 kHz. Both S=9+25 like -48 dBm. 73 wb``.

The latter S-reading apparently refers to the fundamentals. Spanish on 5010 does not mean it's Honduras, or something. Of course, 5010 & 5055 will disappear once 5040 or 5025 goes off, whichever is first. 5040 nominally ends at 0700, but once-24 h 5025 is off again at 0631 check Feb 20 (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

7480 & 6080, Feb 19 at 0634, two perennial spots with at least weak 2-tone pulse jamming against nothing, but enough to mess up any weak DX signals that might be there. These two frequencies have never borne anything Cuba ``needed`` to jam. Maybe spurs out of the walls of noise on 7405, 6030 (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

\*\* CUBA. Re: Cuba on 6100 -- I've noticed that most of the time this signal is "swallowed up" by the Caribbean Beacon (Gene Scott, etc.) on 6090. In other words, I seem to find the lower part of the Beacon's splatter, then 6100 under the Beacon's splatter, then the upper part of the Beacon's splatter (in other words, this transmission acts often like the HM01 transmission on 5855 at 05 UT: I receive the low end of

5830 WTWW, then HM01 under WTWW, then the upper end of WTWW, and soon after, the low end of 5890 WWCN with the LDPOG as I tune up the 49 meter band (as I've mentioned before, I've tuned off World of Radio when I've heard HM01 in the background on the UT Sunday broadcast at 05 UT on WTWW -- it's strictly DX business, nothing personal), Perhaps RHC, HM01, etc. can't afford "better modulation" -- after all, if WTWW's signal (which is 25 kHz away) ever so often interferes with HM01 (which I presume, uses a transmitter similar to the one that RHC is using for 6100), no wonder that a reasonably powerful signal 10 kHz away would 'blow [RHC] out of the water' (Shawn Fahrer, NY, Feb 14, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Shawn, Seems to me this is due, or partly due, exacerbated by, the lack of selectivity on your receiver. Even a modest portable currently available should reduce the ``swallowing up`` quite a bit among signals that far apart (Glenn to Shawn, via DXLD)

Any Frequency Change for HM01 on 9330 at 07 UT on 02/14/14? HM01\* was strong in my part of the world, but I am wondering if Pedro, etc. are transmitting at a frequency LOWER than 9330 (to avoid conflicts with WBCQ at 9330, especially in Eastern NA where their signal is strongest [except for, apparently, over my home in Flushing NY]). Ever since my portable radio took a tumble recently (cutting off about 1.5 antenna segments), I have noticed that my 31 meter band has apparently expanded -- I have recently been receiving the 10345 kHz broadcast of HM01 (!) and an image of it at apparently 9435 kHz (910 kHz below 10345) on their 06 UT broadcasts. In order to receive the 9330 broadcast for the next hour, I've been tuning down what would appear to be more than 100 kHz in bandwidth in order to find that transmission, thus it could be at a lower frequency. (I would suggest that they could use 9265 kHz, which is only being used by WINB, whose broadcasts wouldn't be on at 07 UT even with their impending frequency expansion, thus no conflict should arise.)

\* Note: HM01 hasn't changed its numbers (and presumably, data information) for nearly two weeks now: beginning 02/02/14 (I missed the 02/01 broadcasts) they've used this number sequence: 83522 // 76105 // 65312 // 66784 // 17704 // 28278. Perhaps they'll give all of us a belated Valentine's Day "gift" of a new sequence (if they haven't done so by the midday broadcasts which I don't normally monitor).

In any case, I still remain (Shawn From Flushing NY Fahrer, Your intrepid HM01 reporter (An American kid doing the best that he can -- paraphrasing John Cougar Mellencamp), ptsw yg via DXLD)

\*\* CZECHIA. A reminder that there are just two weeks left for you to listen to the Czech Republic on longwave, as it is marked for closure at the end of February. The ending of transmissions on 270 will leave

a completely empty channel across Europe, presumably for the first time on either longwave or mediumwave since the early days of radio.

Recently, I've noticed that they cut the transmitter for its overnight break without ceremony either at exactly 2300 (sometimes on the very last pip) and sometimes in the middle of the 2300 news. I don't know which sounds more unprofessional!

Running on reduced power, it is now "only" 650 kW rather than 1.5 MW. The directional pattern - WNW-ESE - puts the UK in the best part of the beam, so an easy listen here on a portable in these winter evenings (Chris Greenway, England, Feb 14, dxldyg via WORLD OF RADIO 1709, DXLD)

Did Radio Slovo in Novosibirsk survive the Russian longwave cuts? I think it would be the only broadcast station left on 270 kHz after Topolna closes (Steve Luce, Houston, Texas, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

My understanding is that \*all\* Russian LW are gone except one station on 171 kHz (Glenn Hauser, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

\*\* DIEGO GARCIA. 4319, AFN Diego Garcia, 2115 10 Feb, px mx in USB, 33333. 73 (Mauro Giroletti, Italy, bclnews.it yg via DXLD)

\*\* EAST TURKISTAN. 5960, Feb 14 at 0058, M&W in Chinese alternating, lo-fi audio. Uplooked later, per HFCC it's CNR, 100 kW ND from Urumqi at 2330-1800; Aoki refines it to the Chinese program of PBS Xinjiang. Shortly I am hearing four lower frequencies from the same site:

4980, Feb 14 at 0100, 5+1 timesignal about one second late, fair signal, but rough distorted modulation, in presumed Uighur, 100 kW, 230 degrees.

4850, Feb 14 at 0100, second weakest in talk, and splash from 4840 WWCR; this one is PBS Xinjiang in Kazakh, 100 kW ND from Urumqi.

4500, Feb 14 at 0100, poor signal in talk, presumed Mongolian, weakest of the bunch; 50 kW, ND.

5060, Feb 14 at 0100, fair signal in Chinese, distorted, but less so than 4980 Uighur; as usual, the best strength of the bunch (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Test with a new random 7 m wire: 9890 & 9420, Xinjiang PBS, 1228+ Feb 8 with talk by OM in English!!! And UI [??] with English songs!!! good signal (Zacharias Liangas, Thessaloniki, Greece, not posted until Feb 16, DX LISTENING DIGEST) See also CHINA

\*\* ECUADOR. 6050, HCJB, 15/02 0122 UT. Servicio en idioma indígenas con audio sobremodulado y SINPO: 53453 con qrm de PBS vĩa Tibet (Claudio Galaz, Rx: Tecsun PL-660, Antena: Hilo largo de 5 metros, QTH: Barraza Bajo, Comuna de Ovalle, IV Región, Chile, condiglista yg via DXLD)

6050, HCJB, Pichincha, \*0824-0837, 16-02, tuning music, anthem, female, Quechua, identification, time signals, male, Qechua, comment, Andean songs. 24322 (Manuel MÈndez, Lugo, Spain, Logs in Reinante, Lugo, Sony ICF SW 7600 G, cable antenna, 8 meters, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

\*\* EGYPT. Radio Cairo, Abu Zaabal, 9720 kHz. 0307 UT Feb 18. Talk by YL in English (I think). Very strong signal and unintelligible audio. S9 +10dB (Nick Rumble, Kannapolis, North Carolina U.S.A., Receiver: Yaesu FRG - 100, Drake R8, Antenna: 220 ft. Inverted L Longwire, Homebrew 1 Meter MagLoop, Cumbre dx yg via DXLD)

9965, Radio Cairo, 2302 Feb 14, English, woman with program preview and then a piece of music. Good except for over-modulation distortion which made it poor (Harold Sellers, Vernon, British Columbia, Listening in my car, by the lake, with the Eton E1 and Sony AN1 active antenna, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

\*\* EQUATORIAL GUINEA. GUIN... EQUATORIAL, 5005, RNGE [sic], Bata, 1935-1957, 14/2, castelhano, canÁies em castelhano; 45433. 73 (Carlos GonÁalves, PORTUGAL, radioescutas yg via DXLD)

5005, R DifusiÛn de Guinea Ecuatorial, Bata, 2015 14 Feb, Programa local vernacular translated into Spanish, 33333. 73 (Mauro Giroletti, Italy, bclnews.it yg via DXLD)

Isn't it Radio Nacional de G.E.? No, WRTH 2014 now shows it as Radio TelevisiÛn de Guinea Ecuatorial (gh, DXLD)

\*\* EQUATORIAL GUINEA [non]. 17790, WRMI with program from PAB / R Africa, 1555 Feb 2, woman talking about churches, etc. At the end an American ėwesterní type song followed by a bunch of IDs (WRMI and R Africa network or Inspiration programs) together with contacts in Uganda, Zambia, and in Europe. Also first time logging them with signal S7!! (Zacharias Liangas, Thessaloniki, Greece, not posted until Feb 16, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

\*\* ETHIOPIA. 6110, R Fana, MON 17 FEB 2014, 2020, S8 loud, some noise. 73 (Nick Hacko VK2DX, Sydney, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

\*\* ETHIOPIA [and non]. CLANDESTINE The following two transmissions

of NEXUS-IBA IRRS Shortwave via Radiocom already are jammed with broadband DRM like white noise:

Radio Xoriyo

1500-1530 on 15515 TIG 150 kW / 175 deg to EaAf Somali Fri

Radio Warra Wangeelaa-ti

1500-1530 on 15515 TIG 150 kW / 165 deg to EaAf Oromo Sat

<http://swldxbulgaria.blogspot.com/2014/02/two-clandestine-transmissions-of-nexus.html>

-- 73! (Ivo Ivanov, QTH: Sofia, Bulgaria, Equipment: Sony ICF-2001D 30 m. long wire, dxldyg via WORLD OF RADIO 1709, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

\*\* GERMANY. While on the topic of SW cuts, anything new out of DW Deutsche Welle for A-14? Supposedly a revamp of programming and distribution emphasis is on the horizon (Steve Luce, Houston, Texas, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

[non]. Se escuchan muy poco últimamente en Onda Corta estos compases de "Fidelio" (la única Ópera de Beethoven), que todos conocemos. La DW empezando en swahilli para Africa Oriental a las 0300 UT por 5905:

<http://youtu.be/s30RDlq-AT8>

(En algunos mensajes de listas de correo sobre nuestro tema la llaman "Defunct Welle". ...) ñ (Rodolfo Tizzi, Uruguay, Feb 14, condiglista yg via DXLD)

\*\* GERMANY. 6070, R Channel 292, Rohrbach. Today just a short report how things continue. We still work on our 2.5 kW spare, and 11 kW main transmitter, and the spare transmitter is almost ready, but some work still has to be done. So we are on air now with only 50 watts, 24/7. (Channel 292, Feb 15, via DSWCI DX Window Feb 19 via DXLD) see CANADA

\*\* GERMANY. 6190, R Gloria International, via MV Baltic R, 0750-0800, Sunday Feb 09, IDs for R Gloria International, signal not very good; it had been a little better a few minutes before, but the decline in signals from Europe was well underway by 0750. Mostly in German but some English IDs: "This Radio Gloria International" by a woman, "Gloria International" by a man, within a few hours an E-mail to radiogloria@aol.com brought a reply from "Andy" with QSL to fill-in (which I gladly did) and various sticker files).

Per follow-up e-mails with Andy, this is the 1 kW transmitter at G^hren, which operates on 6190, 7265 und 9480 (9485 from March). They also use a 1 kW transmitter at Kall-Krekel, which is on 6005 and 7310. They say, they are on air every 4th Sunday in the morning on those frequencies (presumably not all), and that they repeat the broadcast on the 2d Sunday of the following month on 6190 (Jerry Berg, Lexington MA, DSWCI DX Window Feb 19 via DXLD) On the air Sunday 0700-0900 (2 hours, repeat). (Tom Taylor, Feb 08, ibid.)

\*\* GERMANY. 7265, Hamburger Lokal Radio, 0618-0757, 15-02, Spanish, Portuguese and English, including Glenn Hauser's program "World of Radio". 34433 (Manuel MÈndez, Lugo, Spain, Logs in Reinante, Lugo, Sony ICF SW 7600 G, cable antenna, 8 meters, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

\*\* GERMANY. 16/2, 9480, EMR etc., 0901 rock music, S0. Better at 0913 with S2 signal and reception as 0=3 (Zacharias Liangas, Greece, 19 Feb, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

\*\* GERMANY. 13655, Feb 13 at 1512, poor signal in S Asian song. Aoki shows AWR in Punjabi, then Hindi at 1500-1600, 250 kW due east from Nauen (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST) V also AFGHANISTAN [non]

\*\* GREECE. 4982.7, Greek pirate 1415 Feb 2, playing a pro Greek Junta audio (a CD with documentaries of 70s) then with military marches Found to be // 1660! And sign off !! A recording is here <http://www.ipernity.com/doc/zliangas/30186259> (Zacharias Liangas, Thessaloniki, Greece, not posted until Feb 16, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

\*\* GREECE. 11645, ERA / Ertopen, 0801 Feb 2 with ID and relays of ERA via the net, local radio outlets and via shortwaves and news, S10. Police has cached terrorist machinery and artillery (Zacharias Liangas, Thessaloniki, Greece, not posted until Feb 16, DX LISTENING DIGEST) Cached or caught?

For followers of the ERT occupation and the Avlis signals on shortwave, there is right now (UT 2130) a concert, apparently live, on both 7475 and 9420. Lovely sound, good rocky music (a guitar band with a 1970s Moog synthesizer, I think). Occasional portions of the introductory remarks are translated on stage into English; it is clear from them that this is a broadcast of the occupiers (and not of the new government broadcasters).

As usual, the shortwave broadcasts lag behind (by six or seven seconds) the parallel on-line signal (at ERTOpen.com) of the Athens feed (Philip Hiscock in St John's, Newfoundland (Listening with a Grundig Satellit 750 and a two-metre wire strung from my desk to my window), Feb 13, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

The ex-ERT rebels night broadcast on occupied Avlis site start late now. Nothing heard around 16-17 UT this afternoon. Mornings at 06 ... 07, til 09 UT, I failed to hear in past three days, empty channels on Feb 11, 12, 13.

former ERT - Elliniki Radiofonia TileŪrasi now heard at 2315 UT Febr 13 on 1259.845, 1404.010, and 1511.931 kHz.

1404.010 kHz Komotini 50 kW  
41 05 54.04 N 25 24 24.69 E  
<<http://binged.it/1iT8yRU>>

1511.931 kHz Chania Mavridaki on Crete 50 kW  
35 29 28.42 N 24 03 31.90 E  
<<http://binged.it/1iT8YHW>>

1259.845 kHz Leoforos Kallitheas on Rhodes island 50/100 kW, former  
VOA Rhodes-A 1259 kHz 150 kW, 1965-1985y location, now ERA2 Rhodes  
(ex-1494 kHz)  
36 24 49.41 N 28 13 41.79 E  
<<http://binged.it/1iT9up9>>

new EDT - Ellinikī Dimŭsia Tileŭrasi  
on 729.014 kHz.

GRC Athens Bogiati 729 kHz 100 kW location at  
38 09 01.05 N 23 51 36.74 E  
<<http://goo.gl/maps/ZZl1p>>  
(Wolfgang B,schel, wwdxc BC-DX TopNews Feb 13, dxldyg via DXLD)

Ex-ERT rebels NOT ON AIR at 0640 UT Feb 14. Ex=ERT rebell program  
noted from 1900 UT Feb 14 on 7450, 9420, and 15650 kHz. 73 (Wolfgang  
B,schel, wwdxc BC-DX TopNews Feb 14, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Hello DXers, Here in Cairo, only getting 9420 around 1930 with piano  
music followed by OM in Greek, followed by more piano music. Best 73  
(Tarek Zeidan, Cairo, Egypt, Sent from my iPad, Feb 14, dxldyg via DX  
LISTENING DIGEST)

9420 (only) here at 1941z with jazzy piano music OM singing. S9 good  
copy (Rich Ray, Chicago, IL USA, ibid.)

9420 at 1958 UT, Male in Greek and music by a female singer. 2000 ID,  
S9+10db on the R8B. Regards (Bill, Adelaide, South Australia, ibid.)

Here in Newfoundland I have been receiving the 7475 and 9420 signals  
very well the past couple of days. It's good enough that at this  
minute I am cooking supper with the Eton E10 plugged into my kitchen  
boombox, listening to the great music. Not much worse than a local  
signal.

At the hour, this service identifies with a short musical phrase  
followed by a female voice pronouncing ERTOpen as word, part acronym,  
not as letters but three syllables, as if spelt in English ert-o-pen,  
and followed by another word I have not been able to catch.

They seem to switch between Athens and Thessaloniki feeds and that is sometimes noted at the top of the UT hour, too. Not by saying Athens etc., but often by saying it is the tris service (Trito). I noticed last night that the webcasts from Athens and Thessalonika were both the "same" as the SW signal, though with different synchronisations. The SW feed seems always to be slower, but less slow than the Thessalonika feed (a second or so) than it is than the Athens feed (up to seven seconds). (Philip Hiscock in St John's, Newfoundland, 2140 UT Feb 14, dxldyg via WORLD OF RADIO 1709, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

This is my reception report for Sunday and Monday, February 17, 2014  
SUNDAY 2/16 | MONDAY 2/17

| 1900  | 2000  | 2100  | 2200  | 2300  | 0000  | 0100  | 0200  | kHz   | Az. | kW  | Station |
|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-----|-----|---------|
| 00000 | 00000 | 00000 | 00000 | 00000 | 00000 | 00000 | 00000 | 7475  | 285 | 100 | 1       |
| 00000 | 00000 | 00000 | 00000 | 00000 | XXXXX | XXXXX | XXXXX | 15650 | 105 | 100 | 2       |
| XXXXX | XXXXX | XXXXX | XXXXX | XXXXX | 00000 | 00000 | 00000 | 15630 | 285 | 100 | 2       |
| 00000 | 00000 | 00000 | 00000 | 00000 | 00000 | 00000 | 00000 | 9420  | 323 | 170 | 3       |

(John Babbis, Silver Spring MD, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Shortwave transmissions of ERT on February 17:

till 0900 on 7475 AVL 100 kW / 182 deg to NoAf Greek

till 0900 on 9420 AVL 170 kW / 323 deg to WeEu Greek

till 0900 on 11645 AVL 100 kW / 285 deg to WeEu Greek

Change of frequencies has been made between 0900-1000

from 1000 15650\*AVL 100 kW / 260 deg CeEu Greek, continues after 1100

from 1000 7475 AVL 100 kW / 182 deg NoAf Greek, continues after 1100

from 1000 9420 AVL 170 kW / 323 deg WeEu Greek, continues after 1100

\*instead of 11645 at previous days of operation, co-channel Radio

Farda in Farsi

<http://swldxbulgaria.blogspot.com/2014/02/shortwave-transmissions-of-ert-on.html>

(Ivo Ivanov, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

This is my reception report for Monday and Tuesday, February 18, 2014  
MONDAY 2/17 | TUESDAY 2/18

| 1900  | 2000  | 2100  | 2200  | 2300  | 0000  | 0100  | 0200  | kHz   | Az. | kW  | Station |
|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-----|-----|---------|
| 00000 | 00000 | 00000 | 00000 | 55555 | 55555 | 55555 | 55555 | 7475  | 285 | 100 | 1       |
| 00000 | 00000 | 00000 | 00000 | 00000 | XXXXX | XXXXX | XXXXX | 15650 | 105 | 100 | 2       |
| XXXXX | XXXXX | XXXXX | XXXXX | XXXXX | 15241 | 15241 | 15241 | 15630 | 285 | 100 | 2       |
| 00000 | 15241 | 45344 | 45444 | 55444 | 55455 | 55455 | 55455 | 9420  | 323 | 170 | 3       |

(John Babbis, Silver Spring MD, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

\*\* GREECE. NERIT WILL START BROADCASTS IN TWO MONTHS

ANSmed Athens 17 February 2014

The new Greek public radio-television NERIT and 12 regional radio stations will begin broadcasts within the next two months, daily To Vima reported quoting the Deputy Minister of Public Radio and

Television Pantelis Kapsis as saying in Parliament answering a question by PASOK MP Dimitris Kremastinos about the repeated delays.

Kapsis claimed that there the recruitment procedure is fully transparent and that the three legally-mandated stages have been strictly observed: evaluation of essential skills and qualifications, past experience and the interview. The Deputy Minister argued that experience was essential, since the transition to the new broadcasting service may run into problems. Furthermore, the Deputy Minister revealed that past experience will play an important role in the recruitment of journalists and that about 20% of employees were recruited in positions irrespective of their qualifications. Journalists who will join NERIT will have to have at least five years experience.

[http://www.ansamed.info/ansamed/en/news/sections/generalnews/2014/02/17/Media-Greece-NERIT-start-broadcasts-two-months\\_10088994.html](http://www.ansamed.info/ansamed/en/news/sections/generalnews/2014/02/17/Media-Greece-NERIT-start-broadcasts-two-months_10088994.html)  
(via Mike Terry, dxldyg via WORLD OF RADIO 1709, DXLD)

\*\* GUAM. 15685, Feb 18 At 2210 very poor signal with fluttery music. Must be KSDA as scheduled 22-23 in Chinese (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

\*\* GUAM [and non]. 9975, Feb 18 at 1437, hymn in some language, then Chinese YL announcement repeatedly mentioning TWR and KTWR in web addresses, like TWR.org.hk. Aimed due northwest at 1330-1530, but good here as 9980 WWCBS is much weakened rather than inblasting; while neighbor 9930 WTWW BS has already built up to good level. By 1507, can't hear 9975 vs strengthened 9980 (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

\*\* GUATEMALA. 4055, Radio Verdad, Chiquimula, 0552-0607\*, 15-02, male, English, religious comments and songs, identification, anthem and close down. 14321 (Manuel MÈndez, Lugo, Spain, Logs in Reinante, Lugo, Sony ICF SW 7600 G, cable antenna, 8 meters, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

4055, R. VERDAD, 15/02 1036 UT. Datos de la emisora en idioma inglÈs con palabras en castellano. Buena modulaciÙn con SINPO: 34422 (Claudio Galaz, Rx: Tecsun PL-660, Antena: Hilo largo de 5 metros, QTH: Barraza Bajo, Comuna de Ovalle, IV RegiÙn, Chile, condiglista yg via DXLD)

\*\* HAITI. R. 4VEH is reported in operation on its MW frequency 840 kHz, not listed in WRTH 2014 (WRTH National update 11 Feb via DXLD)

\*\* INDONESIA. [RE 14-07]: Tuesday - RRI Makassar in English --- Feb 18 (Tue.) again at 1240, certainly sounded like the start of the KGI program, but cannot say that I heard a program ID; again with bits and

pieces of English; not doing well against Bangladesh and possibly two Chinese stations. Rather a mess and certainly tough to dig out the English. Seemed to be a half hour show till about 1313. Still needs more work (Ron Howard, CA, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST) 4749.95 last week

\*\* INDONESIA. 4870, RRI Wamena, MON 17 FEB 2014 in Indonesian 1230> F presenter, light music, mentioned Indonesia number of times noisy S7. 73 (Nick Hacko VK2DX, Sydney, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

\*\* IRAN. TOTALLY DISTORTED audio signal on 7260 kHz logged at 0507 UT Feb 19, scheduled 0320-0520 UT. Distorted audio peaks up to 19 kHz wide. Carried Azeri service from Sirjan site via older 500 kW Telefunken unit beasts from 80ties. 73 wb (Wolfgang B,schel, harmonics yg via DXLD)

9710, VoIRI with English transmission re imperialist aspirations of the USA, and Edward Snowden. Into talks re Pope Francis and the Catholic Church pedophilia scandal with a 'pastor' who went on to claim the positive press the new Pope has received is part of the new world order/Jewish/Papist conspiracy designed to destroy our society. I did NOT see that coming. Wow. I tell you what, wow! News headlines at :17 and ID as The Voice of Justice from Tehran and details for this broadcast claiming it is 0330-0430.

Ident music at :20 and Into Arabic and National Anthem sounding song at :23. Carrier off mid anthem. 4+4+533 with FUNKY fading and muddy modulation making it hard to understand even though there was little else wrong. 0350-0424\* 9/Feb (Ken Zichi, Pt Hope MI2, MARE Tipsheet Feb 14 via DXLD)

[and non]. 9710, Feb 17 at 0418, closing announcements from IRIB English, fair with flutter. No mention of 'V of Justice' heard, but presumably this 0320 starter still so-monickered. Checked // 11770 and found it quite inferior, overshadowed by second adjacents Cuba and Brasil. 9710 signal is roughly equivalent to 9655 adjacent Turkey which will continue English another semihour (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

13690, Spurs and splatter signal of V of IRIB Bosnian Serbo-Croatian segment at 0520 to 0620 UT. Spur splatter on 13657-13728 kHz. And 2nd series on 13618-13628 and 13750-13761 kHz (Wolfgang B,schel, Feb 9, wwdxc BC-DX TopNews Feb 14 via DXLD)

Voz da Rep'blica Isl'mica do Ir,, --- Amigos, hoje recebi um e-mail do serviço em espanhol da Voz da Rep'blica Isl'mica do Ir,, o qual deixou-me imensamente feliz. Irei receber como prêmio um valiosa lembrança do artesanato iraniano, por ter enviado 1,306 informes de recepção. Pelas

minhas contas s,,o 1,457 informes j· enviados. Para receber o diploma de 1º Grau, terei que enviar mais 140 informes. Segue abaixo o referido e-mail:

``EN EL NOMBRE DE DIOS === Muy estimado oyente Rubens Ferraz:  
Por intermedio de la presente, reciba un cordial saludo desde Ir·n, deseando que se encuentre bien con el favor de Dios. Junto con saludarle en el Altísimo, queremos informarle que estamos preparando un recuerdo valioso de la artesanía iraní, por haber recibido 1306 informes de escucha por parte de usted. Asimismo le informamos que para lograr el diploma del primer grado aun le faltan 140 informes. Esperamos que siguiendo enviandonos m·s informes de escuhca pueda ganar pronto este grado de diploma. Quedando a su servicio y disposiciûn, nos despedimos antentemente de usted.  
La Voz Exterior de la RII``

73! (Rubens Ferraz Pedroso (PY5-007 SWL), Bandeirantes - PR, Feb 12, radioescutas yg via DXLD)

Incredibly, he has sent 1,457 reception reports to VIRI, of which they count 1,306 so far, qualifying him for a valuable item of Iranian artisanship, and once they get 140 more, he will get a diploma! And all this in Spanish instead of Portuguese. Can one axually listen to that many broadcasts without mind-warping? Maybe he doesn't really understand Spanish that well, we can only hope (Glenn Hauser, OK, WORLD OF RADIO 1709, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Estimados oyentes, Por medio de la presente les informamos que la Voz Exterior de la RII dio apertura el pasado viernes 1 de febrero de 2014, al concurso del corriente aõo con el tema:

"Enfrentamiento del occidente con Ir·n"

Este concurso ser· celebrado con el fin de revisar la repercusiûn de los programas polîticos de esta emisora, los cuales tratan las causas del enfrentamiento de occidente con la RII.

Las personas interesadas en participar en este concurso, pueden enviar hasta finales de diciembre de 2014 sus puntos de vistas en el marco de un artículo, a la direcciûn de email de la radio que es la siguiente: spanishradio@irib.ir

Cabe seõalar que los ganadores del concurso ser·n presentados el 11 de febrero de 2015, coincidiendo con el 36 aniversario del triunfo de la Revoluciûn Isl·mica de Ir·n. El primer lugar ser· invitado a viajar a Ir·n, y el segundo y tercer lugar ser·n premiados por recuerdos de la artesanía iraní.

De ante mano les agradecemos a todos los participantes en el concurso. La Redacci n espa ola de la Voz Exterior de la RII (Recibido por correo electr nico de la redacci n espa ola de la emisora)

CORDIALES SALUDOS / GOOD LUCK / (JUAN FRANCO CRESPO \* STAMP JOURNALIST (AIPET), S LVIA 8 (MAS CLARIANA), E-43800 VALLS-TARRAGONA (ESPA-A-SPAIN-ESPAGNE-SPANIEN) WORLD OF RADIO 1709, DXLD)

IRIB are running a contest on the theme ``confrontation by the West with Iran``. Presumably essay, political correctness required, but not exactly clear how you win a trip to Iran, or artisanship second or third prizes (Glenn Hauser, ibid.)

\*\* IRAN [non]. 7550, 1700, MOLDOVA, R. Ranginkaman, Weak at start, then poor/steady, OM/YL, talk, piano music 1728 YL with ID & sked, off at 1730. WRTH lists as 1600-1630 but nil then - 24/1 (Kelvin Brayshaw, LEVIN, New Zealand, ATS-909, Tecsun PL660, 7.5m EWE, Coax Loop, Feb NZ DX Times via DXLD)

That's the LGBT ``Rainbow`` clandestine out of Los Angeles, as on page 506 of WRTH 2014. Current Aoki does have it now as 1700-1730 Mon & Fri, a WRN broker client (Glenn Hauser, DXLD)

\*\* IRELAND. 2311 kHz, Arklow Radio Dublin, 2021 15 Feb, USB traffic, 333. 73 (Mauro Giroletti, Italy, bclnews.it yg via DXLD)

\*\* ISRAEL. PROTO-ISRAEL RESISTANCE RADIO STAMP Philat lie et Radio 2

On February 11th 2014. Israel Post issued a stamp to commemorate Resistance Radio. The resistance radio played a vital role in broadcasting uncensored information relating to the resistance movements."

Here is a short story of the Resistance Radio (1939-1948) before independence of the State of Israel.

During the struggle against the British authorities prior to the establishment of the State of Israel, each of the three Jewish resistance movements, Haganah, Etzel and Lehi, operated clandestine shortwave radio stations meant to circumvent broadcasts by Kol Jerusalem, the radio station run by the British Mandate in Eretz Israel.

This station, which began broadcasting in 1936 in three languages (English, Hebrew and Arabic) was subject to British censorship and could not utilize its Hebrew programs to broadcast national and political messages. The resistance radio stations took it upon themselves to bring listeners vital and uncensored information,

accompanied by material related to the unique activities of each movement.

All of the resistance radio broadcasts were conducted secretly and posed a great risk to their operators. Most of the transmitters were encoded inside suitcases that were moved from place to place. Broadcasts were generally short, lasting only 5-10 minutes, in order to prevent the British from pinpointing the stations' locations.

In 1948 the resistance radio stations cleared the airwaves in favor of the national Israeli radio *Kol Yisrael*.

Here is the picture of the FDC with the stamp. Christian Ghibaudo [attached to dxldyg repost of this]

Additional informations thanks to:  
<http://virtualstampclub.com/lloydblog/?p=237>

Dr. Mordecai Naor Etzel, Kol Zion Halochemet (Voice of Fighting Zion)?

The first resistance radio station to begin broadcasting was Etzel's Kol Zion Halochemet (1939). The station broadcasted on and off until after the establishment of the State of Israel. In March 1944 the station was captured by the British secret police, but resumed its broadcasts in June 1946.

The content of the station's broadcasts was similar to the Etzel proclamations that were distributed and hung on walls throughout the country, calling for the expulsion of the British and the establishment of an independent Jewish state.

Shortly before the establishment of the State, the station changed its name to Kol Hacherut (Voice of Freedom). Haganah, Kol Yisrael (Voice of Israel)? The Haganah's radio station was called Kol Yisrael and it began broadcasting in the winter of 1940. After only three months, as Britain's Middle Eastern battlefront positions deteriorated due to the fall of France and Italy's entry into the war alongside the Germans, broadcasts were halted. They were renewed in the autumn of 1945, with the establishment of the Jewish Resistance Movement. On the eve of the establishment of the State, the Haganah operated a number of radio stations simultaneously: Kol Yisrael, Telem Shamir Boaz, Kol Hagalil, Kol Hamagen Haivri (Jerusalem) and Kol Hahaganah (Haifa).

On Independence Day, the newly established state's national radio adopted the name Kol Yisrael.

Lehi, Kol Hamachteret Haivrit (Voice of the Hebrew Resistance)

The Lehi's radio station was initially (1942) also called Kol Zion Halochemet. The name was later changed to Kol Hamachteret Haivrit and during the last year of the struggle, its name was changed yet again to Kol Lochamei Herut Yisrael (Voice of Israel Freedom Fighters). In February 1946 the British discovered the station and arrested its operators, including broadcasters Geula Cohen and Natan Merfish. Geula Cohen managed to escape from prison and resumed broadcasting.

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<http://www.naormor.co.il/page.asp?id=37>

Dr. Mordecai Naor (all via Dario Monferini, DXLD)

\*\* ISRAEL. 1080, "Sawt al Israeli" 1714 + Feb 2, very long Arabic song of 70's (ca 15 mins) followed by man talking about news (akhbar) and continued for ca 3 minutes with another song. News on 1730 but not clear ID to me. ID heard later on 1830 (Zacharias Liangas, Thessaloniki, Greece, not posted until Feb 16, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

\*\* ITALY. 10000, Amici Italcable, 1039 15 Feb, music + "bip bip, ore undici e trentanove", 444. 73 (Mauro Giroletti, Italy, bclnews.it yg via DXLD)

15000-USB, Itlcable, 1610 Feb 16, samba music, FSK tone, S4 mixed with local BPL (??) carrier (Zacharias Liangas, Greece, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

\*\* KOREA NORTH. 2850, Korean Central Broadcasting Station 1125 to 1136 y1 talk fair signal on 5 February (Robert Wilkner, Pompano Beach, South Florida, 746Pro, Drake R8 Modified, Sony 2010XA, wire antennas, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

\*\* KOREA NORTH. 3977.10 (wildly variable!), Echo of Unification. See UNIDENTIFIED

\*\* KOREA NORTH [and non]. 5910, Friday Feb 14 at 1346, poor English talk about North Korea, i.e. Sea Breeze/Shiokaze still here. There is a bit of noise which could be jamming and also some tones (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Hi Glenn, You are fortunate to not hear the jamming too well. Feb 14 noted the strong pulsating noise from North Korea on 5910 at tune in of 1254, in anticipation of the Shiokaze sign on at \*1330, per attached brief audio file (Ron Howard, San Francisco, DX LISTENING DIGEST) Yes, never heard here like that (gh, DXLD)

\*\* KOREA NORTH [non]. 9775, Feb 14 at 1357, ``At 17``, Janis Ian song as always in love-song prÈlude medley, but cut off at 1400 for opening of Radio Free Chosun; via R. Veritas Asia, Palauig, PHILIPPINES site.

9775, Feb 18 at 1344, R. Free Chosun via transmitter of R. Veritas Asia, Palauig, PHILIPPINES, is already on well before nominal \*1400, with love-song prÈlude in English: now it's a duet between the YM and YL, still unrecognized as to title. Good signal (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENINIG DIGEST)

\*\* KOREA SOUTH. 5857.5, HLL2 Seoul, 1216, Feb 16. Heard with good signal strength in AM + USB + LSB, but very garbled audio with weather information in English; in the clear till Voice of Jinling sign on at 1231 on 5860 (Ron Howard, San Francisco at Ocean Beach, CA, EtÛn E1, dxldyg via WORLD OF RADIO 1709, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

\*\* KOREA SOUTH. Radio Korea International [sic] (KBS), Kimjae. 15575 kHz. 1256 UT Feb 18, Multi-lingual interval signal followed by start of English broadcast at 1300. Weak and fading, S5 (Nick Rumpel, Kannapolis, North Carolina U.S.A., Receiver: Yaesu FRG - 100, Drake R8, Antenna: 220 ft. Inverted L Longwire, Homebrew 1 Meter MagLoop, Cumbre dx yg via DXLD)

\*\* KUWAIT. Inactive frequencies of Radio Kuwait on Feb.17:  
1600-1800 on 15540 KBD 300 kW / 100 deg to SoAs Urdu  
1600-2100 on 6050 KBD 300 kW / non-dir to N/ME Arabic General Service  
1800-2100 on 15540 KBD 500 kW / 310 deg to WeEu English  
<http://swldxbulgaria.blogspot.com/2014/02/inactive-frequencies-of-radio-kuwait-on.html>  
-- 73! (Ivo Ivanov, QTH: Sofia, Bulgaria, Equipment: Sony ICF-2001D 30 m. long wire, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

At 1000 UT Feb 18, R Kuwait in Arabic only heard on 21540 kHz, S=9+25dB strong signal here in southern Germany. ID during news read at 1007 UT. vy73 wb (Wolfgang B,schel, ibid.)

More inactive frequencies of Radio Kuwait on Feb.18:  
0800-1000 on 7250 KBD 500 kW / non-dir to WeAs Persian  
1000-1200 on 21580 KBD 500 kW / 084 deg to EaAs Tagalog  
1030-1600 on 9750 KBD 300 kW / 286 deg to NEAf Arabic General Service  
<http://swldxbulgaria.blogspot.com/2014/02/more-inactive-frequencies-of-radio.html>  
-- 73! (Ivo Ivanov, QTH: Sofia, Bulgaria, dxldyg via WORLD OF RADIO

1709, DXLD)

13650 at 1700 UT Arabic from R Kuwait, speech to the crowd live? transmission. S=9+30dB here in southern Germany.

13650 R.KUWAIT 1650-2000 Arabic 500 350 Sulaibiyah KWT MOI b13  
73 wb (Wolfgang B,schel, Feb 18, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Radio Kuwait is active today Feb. 19 on 21580 as usual at 1030 tune in. A positive ID heard at 1100 UT. There is a signal audible on 9750 at the same time, but too weak to ID in local noise. It could also be NHK (Noel R. Green (NW England), dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Also 9750 kHz on air, when checked Feb 19 around 1405 UT.

9750 1100-1600 37,38 KBD 300 286 Arabic KWT RKW MOI  
is scheduled to Western Africa at 286 degree azimuth as though, but also heard fair S=8 signal here in sidelobe southern Germany today.  
\\ 21540 S=9+20dB.

11630 kHz had heard at same time on separate HQ prayer program.  
6050 kHz not on air at present 14-15 UT. 73 wb (Wolfgang B,schel, Feb 19, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Maybe was a temporary technical irregularity problem at Kabd shortwave bcasting site center? Today Febr 19 all R Kuwait SW services heard again on air. S=9+30dB here in southern Germany now at 1830 UT, Arabic 13650 and \\ 6050 kHz.

13650 Radio KUWAIT 1650-2000 Arabic 500 350 Sulaibiyah KWT MOI b13

Only 15540 kHz of English service was suffering by bad propagation today, only S=8 at 1840 UT. 73 wb (Wolfgang B,schel, dxldyg via WORLD OF RADIO 1709, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

15540, R Kuwait in listed Urdu, with OM announcements, anthem and pips to ToH, then English ID as iRadio Kuwaiti and t/c as 9 PM and same anthem as before. Mention of 963 kHz, 93.3 MHz FM and 15540 iin the 25 metre band on Shortwavei (sic). iJoint Program Productioni presentation iUnder the Umbrella of Islam, Part Twoi with Stories of Conversion to Islam from around the world. Into Pop imusici at :20 (Kuwaitis have really bad taste in music apparently). ID and frequencies as before and email, snail mail and fax addresses/number given at :23. Started out 3+5444 fading to 2+533+2+ by BoH. 1758-1830 9/Feb (Ken Zichi, Pt Hope MI2, MARE Tipsheet Feb 14 via WORLD OF RADIO 1709, DXLD)

\*\* LAOS. 6129.986, Once again I hear Lao National Radio from Vientiane around 1358 UT on Feb 13, on remote SDR unit in Queensland Australia. Heard this type of music locally during touristic trip from Nong Khai

in 1972 during Vietnam-US war clash time --- long ago --- extended station ID in English at 1400 UT, given both MW and SW 6130 kHz frequency channel. Excellent studio and transmitter modulation noted so far! S=9+10dB at 1405 UT (Wolfgang B, schel, Feb 13, wwdxc BC-DX TopNews Feb 14 via DXLD)

\*\* LAOS [non]. CLANDESTINE, 7530, Suab Xaa Moo Zoo via Taiwan, Feb 13, \*2230-2240, 45433, Hmong; 2230 sign on with opening music, Opening announce, Music and talk (Kouji Hashimoto, JAPAN, RX IC-R75, NRD-525+RD-9830, NRD-515, NRD-345, Satellite 750, DE-1121; ANT 70m Sloper Wire, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

\*\* LIBERIA. 4760, ELWA (Presumed), Feb 13 2154-2214, 25322-24222, English, Talk and chorus music, ID? at 2206 (Kouji Hashimoto, JAPAN, RX IC-R75, NRD-525+RD-9830, NRD-515, NRD-345, Satellite 750, DE-1121; ANT 70m Sloper Wire, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

LIBERIA, 4760, ELWA, Monrovia, 2228-2241, 13/2, canÁles; 45433. 73 (Carlos GonÁalves, PORTUGAL, radioescutas yg via DXLD)

4760, ELWA Radio, Monrovia, 0702-0715, 16-02, male, English, religious comments. 24322 (Manuel MÈndez, Lugo, Spain, Logs in Reinante, Lugo, Sony ICF SW 7600 G, cable antenna, 8 meters, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Radio ELWA, Monrovia, 4760 kHz. 2220 UT Feb 18, Bible study and religious music with OM in English. Heard from fade-in just after 2200 and up to nice levels by 2230. Good signal, S7 (Nick Rumble, Kannapolis, North Carolina U.S.A., Receiver: Yaesu FRG - 100, Drake R8, Antenna: 220 ft. Inverted L Longwire, Homebrew 1 Meter MagLoop, Cumbre dx yg via DXLD)

\*\* LITHUANIA. 9875, Radio Free Asia, 2300:15 Feb 14, English ID iThis is Radio Free Asia. The following program is in Tibetan.î followed by woman in that language. Very poor through Voice of Koreaís IS co-channel (Harold Sellers, Vernon, British Columbia, Listening in my car, by the lake, with the Eton E1 and Sony AN1 active antenna, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

\*\* LUXEMBOURG. RTL has produced a video, voiced by Benny Brown, and a 118 page book on their history, both at this link.  
<http://www.rtlgroup.com/alwaysclosetotheaudience/history.html>  
(Mike Barraclough, BDXC-UK yg via DXLD)

\*\* MADAGASCAR. 5010v, 1843, Radio Madagascar poor with western pops 12/1 on measured 5010.56 with usual extended Sunday sked. Closed abruptly around 1851 (Bryan Clark at Mangawhai (Northland), North Island, New Zealand, with Drake SPR4, AOR7030+, EWES to North, Central

& South America, 100m BOG to NE and Alpha Delta Sloper antennas, Feb  
NZ DX Times via DXLD)

\*\* MALAYSIA [and non]. 5964.6, Feb 15 at 1415, remnant signals well  
after sunrise are still enough to produce an audible het, so it looks  
like RTM has gone back to their off-frequency transmitter after a  
while using a better on-frequency one; vs China. My keyboard finds the  
het pitch to be approx. G4 = 392 Hz (Glenn Hauser, OK, WORLD OF RADIO  
1709, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

5964.69, Radio Klasik after being on exact frequency with more power  
for several days, they have started broadcasting again with weaker,  
off frequency transmitter. 1609-1639 on Feb 15 heard with only "Radio  
Klasik" IDs and playing pop songs (Ron Howard, San Francisco at Ocean  
Beach, CA, EtÛn E1, dxldyg via WORLD OF RADIO 1709, DX LISTENING  
DIGEST)

5965, RTM Klasik Nasional, Kejang, MON 17 FEB 2014 2000> Noisy, S7.  
Folk/pop. 73 (Nick Hacko VK2DX, Sydney, dxldyg via DX LISTENING  
DIGEST)

6050, Asyik FM via RTM:

Feb 13 1428-1444, 44444, Malaysian, Talk and music, SJ at 1435.  
Feb 14 1139-1149, 44444, Malaysian, Music, ID at 1142 and 1143 and  
1147 (Kouji Hashimoto, JAPAN, RX IC-R75, NRD-525+RD-9830, NRD-515,  
NRD-345, Satellite 750, DE-1121; ANT 70m Sloper Wire, DX LISTENING  
DIGEST)

9835, Feb 18 at 1347, Malay talk in a noisy venue, fair signal, which  
is better than usual. That would be Sarawak FM relay back to Borneo,  
which is totally in Malay per WRTH 2014.

11665, Feb 18 at 1354, music on VP signal, presumed also RTM back to  
Sarawak; 1402 news in American English about Pakistan, Thailand,  
Central African Republic; 1405 YL speaking, ad? Not sure if still in  
English, but surprised to hear any English, so was this really Wai FM?  
WRTH shows no English on that station, but Bidayuh at 1000-1600 and  
other times, also in Kayan/Kenyah. English is normally limited to the  
Traxx FM network, which we never hear on 7295 (Glenn Hauser, OK, WORLD  
OF RADIO 1709, DX LISTENING DIGEST) Also listening at same time+ :

6050, Asyik Radio, 1447, Feb 18 Bahasa Malay, Michael Jackson song,  
male DJ mentioning names maybe of listeners or for birthdays, more  
talk and another song, 1455 two iAsyik F-Mî IDs, 1500 short and long  
tones, ID and national anthem by choir, 1501:30 some upbeat music  
until suddenly off before 1502. Fair with ACI.

9835, Sarawak FM, 1616, Feb 18 Bahasa Malay, popular Malaysian music,

1625 a number of announcements including a iSarawak F-Mî ID. Good but noisy band.

11665, Wai FM, 1553, Feb 18 Bahasa Malay, traditional songs until 1600 s/off with two time pips, ID and national anthem by choir, 1601:30 a modern song until off just after 1602. Fair (Harold Sellers, Vernon, British Columbia, Listening in my car, beside the lake, with the Eton E1 and Sony AN1 active antenna, dxldyg via WORLD OF RADIO 1709, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

\*\* MEXICO. 620, Feb 19 at 1357 UT, mentions of Chihuahua, as low-banders are about to fade out, so XEBU. Also not quite gone by now are the usual 650, 710, 720 and 730 Spanish stations, no doubt in Chihuahua, Sinaloa. Enid sunrise was almost half a sesquihour earlier at 1314 UT (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

\*\* MEXICO. 1300, Feb 19 at 1403, XEP, Ciudad Ju·rez, Chihuahua, with its 37? kW is still in well more than half a sesquihour after Enid sunrise; IDs as ``Radio MÈxico Noticias en 1300`` but also mentioning more than once, ``Reportero 970``, apparently referring to a guest reporter. At first I thought it was 960, but more likely from XEJ 970, which by now I can't hear; indeed both are in the Grupo Radio MÈxico. Multi-station groups from the same studios were common in Mexico long before this was allowed in the USA (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

\*\* MEXICO. 1430, Feb 15 at 0658 UT, dominant signal is banda music, looping N/S, 0703 UT mentions ``Fûrmula perfecta`` and more music. May have dozed during a real ID. NRC AM Log 2013 does not show any likely SS, none of the three Texans. Cant' lists only five (!) XEs on 1430, of which the closest to the south but weakest is:

1430 XEWD La Grande de Cd Miguel Alem·n Cd. Miguel Alem·n, Tamps.  
5,000 150

Further, in about the same direxion are two stronger ones:

1430 XETT Radio Tlaxcala Tlaxcala, Tlax. 5,000 1,000

1430 XELL Latido + 90.1 FM Veracruz, Ver. 5,000 1,000

IRCA 2013 and WRTH 2014, however show a sixth station on 1430, 250-watt XERAC, La N'mero Uno en Campeche / Radio Fûrmula, Campeche. In the Campeche section, Cant' still has no such station, altho he does include its FM counterpart, 97.3 XHRAC (maybe assumed to have ``migrated`` from AM already?). Anyhow, XERAC looks like the tentative source. I can't find any affiliate list or anything about Campeche at the Grupo Fûrmula site. There is still a remote chance it could be a US station changed format, as the Fûrmula brand does exist here.

Conditions somewhat ``auroral`` altho K index at 06 was only 1; WWV:  
``Geophysical Alert Message

Solar-terrestrial indices for 14 February follow.  
Solar flux 167 and estimated planetary A-index 4.  
The estimated planetary K-index at 0600 UTC on 15 February was 1.  
Space weather for the past 24 hours has been minor.  
Radio blackouts reaching the R1 level occurred.  
Space weather for the next 24 hours is predicted to be moderate.  
Geomagnetic storms reaching the G2 level are likely.  
Radio blackouts reaching the R1 level are expected.``

1430, Feb 16 at 0656 UT, much like last night, station with Mexican music is barely atop the heavy QRM of SAHing off-frequency mostly US stations, and looping N/S. Brief break between tunes sounds like ``Radio Sî ñ algo``; and next break at 0659 UT attempts a real ID, sounds like ``XEOA, 14-30 de AM``, but no such call is listed anywhere. (The real XEOA is 570 in Oaxaca.)

Closest call, tho from the southwest, per Cant' and WRTH is:  
1430 XEOX Exa + 106.5 Cd. Obregon, Son. 5,000 500  
And if that were it, would expect national anthem at local midnite.  
Will have to keep trying, maybe even earlier than 0700 UT.

1430, Feb 17 at 0601-0605 UT, I'm back trying to ID the Mexican I have been hearing dominating the graveyard-like pileup. Long choral multi-verse NA is playing so this one must be in the CST zone = local midnite. But then 0605 segu  to other music rather than ID.

1430, Feb 17 at 0625, tentative ID as ``XEOX, la Exa``, which would be Ciudad Obreg n, Sonora in wrong timezone, so not same station. At 0643, ``Radio X``, so this one or the other one?

1430, Feb 18 at 0115 UT I try again; once more, there is one Spanish station atop the pileup (fortunately, KZQZ is behaving itself, no more 50 kW day power at night from St Louis), and it's roughly N/S or slightly west of south. Live hyper (but not super-hype) DJ with rapid speech, greets various colonias, mentions Monterrey, ranchera tune; 0120 next break mentions corridos, 14-30, Tamaulipas. 0123 a canned ID, but it's relatively low-key and smooth, harder to understand. Maybe `La X, 14-30`; then live DJ mentions Reynosa; 0127 plug an event in Ciudad Madero, Tamaulipas (that's way down by Tampico, far from the border). I never hear any produced ads or PSAs.

Finally says ``La F rmula Perfecta desde Ciudad Miguel Alem n, Tamaulipas`` which makes it XEWD, 5/0.15 kW per WRTH and Cant', 2/0.15 kW per IRCA log, all sloganing it ``La Grande`` which I don't hear, and IRCA says with RCN network. Unclear yet whether this ``F rmula`` refers to the national F rmula grupo, or just a generic f rmula. CMA is just across the river border from Roma, Tejas.

Always with a very fast SAH, which leads me to suspect this station is the one most off-frequency compared to the average. No way it's only 150 watts, yet steadily dominating all the other signals. Suspect but not positive it's the same one I was hearing around 0700, rather than something deeper into Mexico.

Three years ago as in DXLD 11-11, XEWD was reported from England by Barry Davies with ``ila Arrolladoraâ slogan; ID spotted by OM Henrik Klemetz who says the name means irresistible women!!!``. I don't find any other logs of it in DXLD past decade, not even by myself (Glenn Hauser, OK, WORLD OF RADIO 1709, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

\*\* MEXICO. 1650, XEARZ MÈxico, DF, FEB 10, 0215 - Instrumental version of Michael Jackson song, typically strong signal in Austin. Programming is non-stop instrumental music in the evenings with "ZER Radio" IDs. Glenn Hauser expressed interest in this one so tuned it in (Mike Beu, KD5DSQ, Austin TX; Drake R8B, terminated Delta antenna (17-ft apex and 28-ft base) northeast, mini-Flag antenna (7 by 15-ft) southeast, NRC International DX Digest via DXLD) Still unheard (gh)

\*\* MEXICO. 6185, Radio Educaciôn, MÈxico, DF. 2358 February 12, 2014. Tune-in to XE choral anthem having just begun. Male canned ID with calls, shortwave frequency into oldie XE folk music. Decent modulation this time (Terry L. Krueger, Clearwater FL, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

0440 UT Feb 19, tiny Radio Educaciôn on 6184.981 kHz, only S=5. 73 wb (Wolfgang B, schel, Stuttgart, Germany, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

\*\* MONGOLIA. I can confirm Pankov, Bulgaria, suggestion that VOM is off. I heard it early January but not in February. There wasn't even a carrier, so I assume it is really off air. Sad because new timing last year gave English at 0900 UT best audio and reception in years during 2013 (Derek Lynch, Ireland, Feb 14, WORLD OF RADIO 1709, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

I checked Mongoliin [sic] R on 4830 and 4895 at \*2300-2310 on Feb 09 and neither domestic service was heard. However, on Feb 17 at 1040, the Voice of Mongolia on 12085 was back with Japanese programme, 35343 (Anker Petersen, Skovlunde, Denmark, DSWCI DX Window Feb 19 via DXLD)

\*\* MOROCCO. 171, Medi 1, 0200 to 0207 good signal with music on 14 February (Robert Wilkner, Pûmpano Beach, South Florida, 746Pro, Drake R8 Modified, Sony 2010XA, wire antennas, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Medi 1 desde Marruecos, con buena seõal como de costumbre, en 9575 kHz, abandonando los estrafalarios 9579 kHz de hace un tiempo. A las 0704 UT.

<http://youtu.be/mONXKe40eho>

(Rodolfo Tizzi, URUGUAY, condiglista yg via DXLD)

\*\* MYANMAR. Additional broadcast of Myanmar Radio on Feb. 17:  
1630-1700 5985.85 YAN 025 kW / 176 deg SEAs maybe English or Burmese  
1630-1700 5985.85 YAN 025 kW / 356 deg SEAs maybe English or Burmese  
Unconfirmed language, due to a strong QRM from CRI in Swahili on  
nominal 5985  
<http://swldxbulgaria.blogspot.com/2014/02/additional-broadcast-of-myanmar-radio.html>  
-- 73! (Ivo Ivanov, QTH: Sofia, Bulgaria, dxldyg via DXLD)

5985.85, Radio Myanma, 1527, Feb 18 Burmese, song, 1529:15  
announcements to 1530 fanfare music, woman beginning English program  
with iHello, good eveningöî, frequency announcement and into news.  
Poor with ACI. At 1630 listening for listed s/off; playing electric  
guitar and vocals, 1635 man and woman in Burmese speaking over music,  
still going at 1637 but I had to leave listening.

6165, Thazin Radio, 1436, Feb 18 English, following a song a woman  
with news, mostly from Asia, 1443:30 back to music. Poor with ACI  
(Harold Sellers, Vernon, British Columbia, Listening in my car, beside  
the lake, with the Eton E1 and Sony AN1 active antenna, dxldyg via DX  
LISTENING DIGEST)

9730.0, Myanmar Radio, 1031, Feb 17 (Mon.). ABC "Lesson seven - In the  
Restaurant" in progress;  
[http://www.radioaustralia.net.au/sites/default/files/vn\\_eft\\_7\\_001.pdf](http://www.radioaustralia.net.au/sites/default/files/vn_eft_7_001.pdf)  
Gave website of  
<http://www.ames.net.au>  
fair with best reception so far. Audio:  
<https://app.box.com/s/xrje4l4yqltvwul5ze5v>  
(Ron Howard, San Francisco at Ocean Beach, CA, Etûn E1, dxldyg via DX  
LISTENING DIGEST)

\*\* NETHERLANDS [non]. The Mighty KBC broadcast to North America 0000-  
0200 UTC on 7375 kHz (via Nauen, Germany) includes a minute of MFSK64  
text and an image at about 0130 UTC (Saturday evening 8:30 pm EST).

Then VOA Radiogram at 0230-0300 on 5745 kHz. Details at  
<http://voaradiogram.net/post/76622374466/voa-radiogram-15-16-feb-2014-text-images-chinese>  
(Kim Elliott, Feb 15, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Checked Migthy KBC at 0030 UT. Very weak tonight into Montreal;  
incredible splatter from Radio Marti 7365 splashing on 7375 also  
(Gilles Letourneau, Montreal, Canada,  
<http://www.youtube.com/officialswlchannel> ibid.)

Sounds like a job for USB! (Kim Elliott, ibid.)

Then there's WHRI on 7385, at least earlier (gh, DXLD)

7375, Feb 16 at 0116, as I tune in Nauen, GERMANY carrying The Mighty KBC, a radio ad in Dutch is airing, fair with flutter. Conditions are subnormal from Europe tonight (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

\*\* NEWFOUNDLAND. 6604-USB, Gander Radio, with airport weather including Calgary, and at 0628 Churchill where it is [only??] -29 C. Also on weaker // 3485-USB. Gander at 20-30 & 50-60 past the hours shares frequencies with New York; see U S A (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

\*\* NEW ZEALAND. Radio New Zealand International in AM mode was noted on Feb. 16 from 1100 NF 9765 RAN 100 kW / 325 deg to NW Pac/PNG/Timor, instead of 13840 More info:  
<http://swldxbulgaria.blogspot.com/2014/02/changes-of-radio-new-zealand.html>  
-- 73! (Ivo Ivanov, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Probably a mistake, failed to QSY at 1058-1059 as online sked still shows 13840 as of Feb 20 (Glenn Hauer, DXLD)

\*\* NICARAGUA. 539.85, R. Corporaci n, Managua, FEB 13 0500 - Loud het against 540 WFLF; choral national anthem, then off. First time received with audio.

539.85, Nicaragua audio clip of anthem closing at  
<http://www.bamlog.com/2010decadebook.htm>  
(Bruce Conti, WPC1CAT, Nashua NH; WiNRADiO Excalibur, MWDX-5 phasing unit, 15 x 23-m variable termination SuperLoop antennas 60 northeast and 180 south, mwdx yg via DXLD)

\*\* NICARAGUA. 8989-USB, "El Pescador Preacher" 0007 to 0010 still on with religious messages in espa ol often off my 0000, 15 February (Robert Wilkner, P mpano Beach, South Florida, 746Pro, Drake R8 Modified, Sony 2010XA, wire antennas, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

8989, El Pescador Predicador, O Pescador Pregador, QTH tx?, 2306-, 15/2, castelhano, propaganda religiosa; 35433. Emiss o em BLS. 73 (Carlos Gon alves, PORTUGAL, radioescutas yg via DXLD)

\*\* NIGERIA. NIG...RIA, 6089.9, R. Nigeria, Kaduna, 2251-2300\*, 15/2, dialecto local, texto, an ncio da p gina internet da emissora; 54433, QRM de AIA. 73 (Carlos Gon alves, PORTUGAL, radioescutas yg via DXLD)

\*\* NIGERIA. 15120, V. of Nigeria, Feb 14 0705-0716, 35432, French, News, Theme music at 0713, The modulation is shallow (Kouji Hashimoto,

JAPAN, RX IC-R75, NRD-525+RD-9830, NRD-515, NRD-345, Satellite 750, DE-1121; ANT 70m Sloper Wire, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

11769.9, Feb 14 at 2128-2130+, flutish music and presumed Arabic from VON, with splash from 11775 Anguilla (Glenn Hauser, oK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

\*\* NORTH AMERICA. 6925-USB, Feb 17 at 0411 as I tune in, ``did I remind you my name is Dr. Benway? Undercoverradio@gmail.com`` and launches into a story; fair-poor signal, only pirate around now (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

\*\* NORTH AMERICA. 6933.9-USB, Feb 16 at 0103, the only pirate audible at tune-in has very informal guy swearing a lot, saying he's running 400 watts, or is it 315? Has to switch some cables around before playing Metallica's ``Seek & Destroy`` at 0105. That's a good fit for SSB, as offtuning may axually improve it. 0114 recheck music stops, and says he is going out to tune the antenna, needs a bit of tweaking, back in about 5 minutes. Finally ID as ``WRR, Whisky Redneck Radio``, more swearing; 0128 and later, C&W music instead. 0136 playing `Ramblin` Man`, and I find the signal is sufficient to hear on the DX-398 whip as I disconnect the reelout and head back inside from the porch. 0146 ``Mountain Dew`` song. Still audible but not well enough once I turn the computer noise back on. 0237 recheck outside, still on, altho by then some other station may have taken over. Several corroborating logs here, but allegedly started out on 6933.3: <http://www.hfunderground.com/board/index.php/topic,15387.0.html> (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

\*\* OKLAHOMA. 1120, Feb 15 at 1952 UT, open carrier/dead air from KEOR Catoosa/Sperry/Tulsa. It's been rather reliable lately, still IDing as Radio Victoria with praise music, preaching in Spanish (Glenn hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

\*\* OKLAHOMA. 1210, Feb 13 at 1341 UT, ad for Macy's, so what's this? Surely not KGYN, no Macy's in little Guymon OK --- yes, it is KGYN, since next ad is local for mace! KGYN has been behaving itself lately, not really audible at night with null toward NYC. Official FCC February SR/SS are 1330/0030 UT; March, 1300/0045. It's also audible weakly on daytime groundwave (Glenn Hauser, Enid, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

\*\* OKLAHOMA. 1640, Feb 15 at 1954 UT, and still past 2011 UT, KZLS Enid is incomprehensible; sounds like an extremely garbled lo-bit-rate internet feed, and maybe mixing with second audio. Neither sounds like True Oldies or a stupid ballgame. Such a mess has happened before with KZLS or antecedents. No one paying attention (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

\*\* OKLAHOMA. KZLS Oklahoma City Completes Talk Shift

February 19, 2014 by Lance Venta

<http://radioinsight.com/blog/headlines/87490/reid-mullins-and-talk-coming-to-kzls-oklahoma-city/>

Update 2/19: KZLS has completed its move completely to Talk today with new 1640 The Eagle branding in place.

The new lineup for The Eagle features [CST = UT -5]:

5-7am: Mancow

7-10am: Reid Mullins

10-11am: The Bright Side with Ben Fuchs

11am-2pm: Ernest Istook [far-right ex-congressman from OK]

2-5pm: Todd Schnitt

5-8pm: Andy Dean

Overnights: Red Eye Radio [what about 8+ pm??]

(via Artie Bigley, OH, WORLD OF RADIO 1709, DXLD)

! Red Eye had been on 1520 KOKC ñ so whatever will it do? News on the hour at 2100 UT Feb 19, from something called ``the Blaze radio network --- truth is here`` --- ????. Doing Fox one better?

Dead air after outro at 2104-2105 UT, then ``KZLS, Enid-Oklahoma City, The Eagle``, dead air and then guns & ammo commercial. Next ad for something about babies started late and was cut off by Schnitt show resuming. Enough of that crap.

1640, Feb 20 at 0643 UT check, KZLS now with `Red Eye Radio` for those who can't get enough far-right hate-speech during the daytime. KZLS has just finished converting from True Oldies to all(?) talk, and we figured RER would have to be moving off 1520 KOKC, but no, it's still on there too, about 2.5 seconds earlier. Perhaps Champlin for this purpose only is pretending to be an Enid market station and not OKC (Glenn Hauser, OK, WORLD OF RADIO 1709, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

\*\* OKLAHOMA. 4775, Feb 16 at 0109, mix of two weak English signals, so this can't be Per or Brasil! Suspicious, I check closest local KCRC 1390, and it's the same with SBG, while the other one is soon recognizable as RHC. The two combine here in the DX-398 receiver or maybe some kind of external mixing at the KCRC site: 6165 minus 1390 = 4775. KCRC harmonix have also been worse than usual lately: 2780, 4170, 5560, 6950, 9730, 11120, 13900, 15290! (Glenn Hauser, Enid OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

\*\* OKLAHOMA. 88.3, Feb 15 at 2006 UT check, local Family Radio translator in Enid, K202BY, is off the air again; may it ever be so for a much needed almost-open frequency to DX, but nothing happening now, not even KOSR Stillwater (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

\*\* OKLAHOMA [and non]. 90.1, KCSC-FM Edmond/OKC is a treasure, the only domestic station we can hear without DX help playing classical/serious music. Fortunately they are back up to full power. The KCSC signal here in Enid at the periphery is still not full-quieting in stereo, with the DX-398 whip, but much better than last month.

A new series is running Sundays at 22-23 UT, 'Relevant Tones', which we enjoyed immensely Feb 16 --- new music, new experiences. This episode was a CD Grab Bag of new releases. It's part of the WFMT syndication, and no doubt now appearing on many other stations. See <http://blogs.wfmt.com/relevanttones/2014/02/12/cd-grab-bag-2/>

It's still not in the database at <http://www.publicradiofan.com/cgi-bin/programlist.pl?initial=R> But on WFMT itself, and possibly on stations relaying its network live, the time is 23-24 UT on Wednesdays. Listening to this show in stereo is a must.

Now explained on homepage  
<http://www.kcscfm.com/>  
is the outage we experienced in Jan:

``A Note from the GM --- Dear Members and Listeners, If you are a regular listener, you know that KCSC's signal was disrupted during the month of January. KCSC's antenna, located in the Oklahoma City antenna farm near Kelly and Britton Road, was struck by lightning. Lightning strikes are not unusual, but in this instance our antenna was damaged, halting our ability to broadcast in Oklahoma City.

What you experienced between January 8 and January 22 were varying degrees of static and in more distant areas no service at all. During this period, we had to reduce power to 15% to prevent further damage. On January 22, the newly-fixed 20-year-old antenna was returned to service and we were able to return KCSC to full power.

Our staff remained busy during this period answering your many questions and we are all thankful for your supportive words once you were reassured we were not going away as many of you feared.

It is important for you to know that we now face the cost of replacing the old antenna with a new one. Our engineer, has made inquiries and the estimated cost to buy a new antenna, rework the old antenna into a backup, add new feed line and hangers, and call in a tower crew will be approximately \$96,190.00. KCSC currently has dual transmitters, dual air conditioners, a new standby generator, and with completion of this project will have a dual antenna system which will put us in good

shape.

Thankfully, a local foundation has offered to help us with about half of the project. It is our hope that during our upcoming spring fund drive scheduled for March 24 through March 31 many of you will step up to help. You can do that by becoming a new member, by adding a little extra in your spring donation, or if you are a fall member you might consider making two contributions this year. As always, we thank our many listeners for your generous interest and support. Yours in music, Bradford Ferguson`` (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

\*\* OKLAHOMA. RF 31, KXOK-LD, Enid's only TV station, continues to be SNAFU. For a few days over the weekend Feb 8-9ish, main channel 31.1, PSIP TVOK, was transmitting ``no signal``, meaning the input (from Ponca City?) was lost and no one was around to fix it. Suddenlink cable 15 has no choice but to show that too, picking up the 31 signal from only two blox away. But don't blame Suddenlink for this.

Since then, instead of Retro TV network, including right now 1800-1830+ UT Feb 13, I keep seeing Episode 848 about Pryor, of 'Discover Oklahoma', dated 10/2/10 --- as per the billboards between segments, and minutes of black, obviously an old recording in format not intended for broadcast as is, without commercial inserts. This travelog, hardly distinguishable from an infomercial, is syndicated to numerous OK TV stations. I guess it's the default filler at KXOK: what a sorry excuse for a TV station!

Most of the time, including latest check Feb 13 around 1800, 31.2 is constant full screen color bars and silence (can't complain too much since no other source for those any more), but supposed to be M - FOX as on the PSIP ID. And 31.3 is black screen and silence, tho still labeled Azteca. Once in a while, one or the other of the subchannels will come to life with Spanish programming, but not in quite a while. This situation has been going on for months, if not years! And I've never seen any advertising or listings that the two Spanish services are allegedly on the air in Enid, which is just as well, considering their extreme unreliability. But is someone paying for this non-carriage??

PLUS, same thing on RF 32, the duplicative lower-powered highly direxional intercity relay from the same downtown Enid site aimed toward the translator in Lamont. Often, such as 1800 UT Feb 13, 32 is too weak to decode, assuming that's what the ``bad`` signal really is on the orange bar via the Zenith STB; or maybe it's off and I'm getting a remnant of something else.

31, KXOK-LD, Enid, a.k.a. TV-OK, continues to be SNAFU. Feb 15 around 1715 UT, main channel 31.1 is still replaying parts of old 'Discover

Oklahoma` travelog episodes from Oct 2010; at 1723 UT about the Lazy Parrot Restaurant & Lounge somewhere in the 918 area code; with long pauses of dead air. But along with a glimpse of color bars, quick ID slides sometimes appear at odd times, showing KXOK 31 in Enid, KTEW 18 in Ponca City, and the intervening translator K35JY in Lamont, along with the RTV logo whose programming is no longer appearing at all. The two subchannels remain as before, 31.2 with color bars instead of Mundo Fox, and 31.3 with black instead of Azteca; ditto for the weaker RF 32 intercity relay duplicates.

The afternoon of Feb 14, I dropped by their office at the north end of the main floor of the Broadway Tower in downtown Enid, only to find it vacated, altho the door was unlocked. Down the hall I asked the building manager where TV-OK had gone, and all he could tell me was that they still have a room on the top floor housing their transmitters (but evidently no one inhabits it). He knew of no replacement office location. Also said they had recently changed ownership (again? that may explain the neglect). So has the Broadway Tower, which is being converted from an office building to an hotel. Has a big disposal chute running down the west outside of the building. Meanwhile, upscale restaurant on south side of ground floor has closed for remodeling(?). (Glenn Hauser, Enid, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

\*\* PAPUA NEW GUINEA. 3365, R Milne Bay, MON 17 FEB 2014 In Pidgin / English, 1200> News, loud S9+15 dB.

3905, R NBC New Ireland, Kavieng, MON 17 FEB 2014 In Pidgin 1200> Good copy S9+10 dB. 73 (Nick Hacko VK2DX, Sydney, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

\*\* PERU. 700, RED RADIO INTEGRIDAD, 15/02 0304 UT. Programa "Gracia a vosotros" acerca de la controversia de MacArthur por la conferencia "fuego extraño" contra el movimiento carismático y sus manifestaciones versus la validez de la teología reformada. SINFO: 43444 con muy leve QRM de LV3, desde Córdoba, Argentina (Claudio Galaz, Rx: Tecsun PL-660, Antena: Hilo largo de 5 metros, QTH: Barraza Bajo, Comuna de Ovalle, IV Región, Chile, condiglista yg via DXLD)

\*\* PERU. CHASQUI DX PFA ñ FEBRERO 2014 --- CQ, CQ, CQÑAquì Pedro F. Arruntegui para compartir algo con los que disfrutan y aman el DX latinoamericano, todas las horas son UTC, desde la tierra de los incas, les informo mediante este Quipus lo siguiente:

4747.20, R. Huanta 2000, Huanta; 15/02 1120-1145 33333 mxf huayno ID "Radio Huanta 2000 una experiencia diferente" mx ID "Transmite de Huanta la bella esmeralda de los andes Radio Huanta 2000" NOTA antes 4747.05 ahora 4747.20

4774.90, R. Tarma, Tarma, Junín; 1/02 2155-2220 44444 mxf ID "Radio Tarma la internacional" mxf huayno huarachirana. ID iCon la mejor música Radio Tarmaí

4789.87, R. Visión, Chiclayo; 29/01 0940-1002 33333 px religioso Dios es Amor mx religiosa y ads sobre otras campañas religiosas desde Iglesia Pentecostal La Cosecha en Chiclayo.

4824.48, R. La Voz de la Selva, Iquitos, 27/01 0005-0035 33333+ px en español sobre la juventud mx moderna NOTA: por momentos se le pierde la señal.

4939.98, R. San Antonio, Atalaya, Ucayali; 0235-0310 44444 ads Aviso del Consejo Provincial de Atalaya mx tropical y moderna NOTA: constantemente dan la señal horaria pero no dan el ID. px religioso.

4955.00, R. Cultural Amauta, Huanta; 16/02 1110-1140 44444+ px religioso mx ID "Desde la ciudad la ciudad de Huanta, transmite Radio Cultural Amauta en FM 99.9 Estéreo" mxf huayno px en quechua

5039.14, R. Libertad, Junín; 3/02 1120-1205 44444 mxf ads Se presenta en esta ciudad Vicente de los Milagros conocedor de las yerbas curativas en San Martín 552 Barrio San Cristóbal Este, Junín ID "Ahora la repuesta es yo escucho Radio Libertadí Junín. Farma Internacional px Avisos y Comunicado El Consejo Provincial de Junín comunica cumplir.. px El Noticiero Libertad news NOTA: varios meses que no lo escuchaba, Frecuencia verificada, ahora en 5039.14 antes 5039.20.

5459.95, R. Bolívar (ex R. La Voz de Bolívar), Bolívar, Trujillo; 14/02 0010-0105 33333++ ID iBuenas noche, el gerente de Radio Bolívarí px Saludos y mensajes ID iBuenas noches, Radio Bolívarí comunican est·n probando los equipos ID iRadio Bolívar Imparableí, infórmenos como nos escuchan al teléfono 976991597. ID "Radio Bolívar insuperableí. También el 15/02 1055-1115 para verificar si salen en la mañana y no hay señal alguna.

NOTA: los llamé por el número de celular que indican y me informan que est·n en calidad de prueba, que su ingeniero est· ajustando los equipos y que luego informaran su horario de trabajo. Esta estación hace mucho tiempo que no se le escucha, antes en su ID decían Radio La Voz de Bolívar, hoy solo dicen Radio Bolívar. Frecuencia verificada en 5459.95 (tnx R. Wilkner) [WORLD OF RADIO 1709]

6173.90, R. Tawuantinsuyo, Cusco; 1/02 2130-2150 44444 mxf ID "Atención a la planta de Radio Tawuantinsuyo, estamos entrando entre cortados" mxf en quechua y español ID "Transmite Radio Tawuantinsuyo desde Cuscoí mxf.

La recepción la he efectuado del 27/01 al 17/02 en compañía de mi sabueso Icom IC R72 acompañado del Mizuho KX-3, una antena de hilo largo de 12 metros y una antena loop. Recuerden que las grabaciones que adjunto, serán mejor escuchadas con los audífonos. Muchos 128's PFA (Pedro F. Arrunategui, Lima, Chaski DX Feb, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

\*\* PERU. 4788.8, R. Visión, Chiclayo, 2335-2344, 14/3, castelhana, canções, texto; 34433, modulação débil, QRM adjacente. 73 (Carlos Gonçalves, PORTUGAL, radioescutas yg via DXLD)

Lower than usual if not typo. See PFA's report above (gh, DXLD)

\*\* PERU. 4835, Per', Ondas del Suroriente, Quillabamba, 0023 om en español signal noted to 0050 on 14 February; 0000 to 0010 noted in español during band scan on 15 February and previous band scans same time (Robert Wilkner, Pompano Beach, South Florida, 746Pro, Drake R8 Modified, Sony 2010XA, wire antennas, and XM, Cedar Key, South Florida, NRD 525D, R8A, E5, via Wilkner, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

\*\* PERU. 4985, R. VOZ CRISTIANA, 13/02 0035 UT. Música Cristiana andina en castellano. SINPO: 44444 con buena modulación, y sin R, Brasil Central (Claudio Galaz, Rx: Tecsun PL-660, Antena: Hilo largo de 5 metros, QTH: Barraza Bajo, Comuna de Ovalle, IV Región, Chile, condiglista yg via DXLD)

\*\* PERU. 5460, Per', Radio Bolívar, Cd. Bolívar, 0020 to 0039 possible reactivation. First time noted this season. Music in deep fades. Confirmed as Radio Bolívar by Pedro F. Arrunategui, Lima Peru, \*Thanks\*. 14 February (Robert Wilkner, Pompano Beach, South Florida, 746Pro, Drake R8 Modified, Sony 2010XA, wire antennas, and XM, Cedar Key, South Florida, NRD 525D, R8A, E5, via Wilkner, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

5460, Feb 14 at 0056, JBA carrier. I had just finished a monitoring session and turned the computer back on only to find this:

``5460 tentative Per', Radio Bolívar, Cd. Bolívar, 0020 to 0039 possible reactivation, first time noted this season. Fair signal in South Florida. 73s (Bob Wilkner, Pompano Beach, South Florida, UT Feb 14, DX LISTENING DIGEST)``

So turned computer back off and tried for 5460; typical signal comparison here to what Bob gets. But this led to several other good logs, back on the porch with DX-398 as it's warmed up enough to be tolerable, and most of the past sesquiweek's snowpack has finally melted (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

\*\* PERU. 5980, R. CHASKI, 13/02 0019 UT. M'sica instrumental e himnos. I.E: Cristo es la peña de Horeb con 33 segundos de retraso con respecto a RED RADIO INTEGRIDAD y SINPO: 55454 con sobremodulación // 700 AM, vía Lima, con SINFO: 44444 sin QRM de LV3 de Argentina (Claudio Galaz, Rx: Tecsun PL-660, Antena: Hilo largo de 5 metros, QTH: Barraza Bajo, Comuna de Ovalle, IV Región, Chile, condiglista yg via DXLD)

5980, R. Chaski, Cuzco, 2303-2314, 13/2, castelhano, propaganda religiosa; 34332, QRM adjacente. 73 (Carlos Gonçalves, PORTUGAL, radioescutas yg via DXLD)

5980, Feb 14 at 0100, S. American conditions are improved a bit (See BOLIVIA), such that R. Chaski carries along some audio, but seems under-modulated for the carrier level. Nevertheless, I dispense with that and switch on the offset BFO, to detect the exact cutoff time, which is: 0102:37.5\*, true to form, 11 seconds later than a binight ago.

5980, Feb 16 at 0059, R. Chaski carrier quite detectable, until cutoff at 0102:49.5\* which amounts to 12 seconds later than last catch 48 hours earlier (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

5980, R. CHASKI, 16/02 0044 UT. Problemas de enlace o transmisor, sin modulación, // 700 Vía Lima con programa "Los grandes temas" donde se habla de la mayordomía cristiana. SINFO: 44444.

5980, R. CHASKI, 16/02 1224 UT. Hombre hablando en quechua y m'sica coral en el mismo idioma. SINPO: 44433.

5980, R. CHASKI, 17/02 0044 UT. M'sica pop en inglés y castellano sin ID de emisora, con modulación aceptable con problemas de enlaces y entrecorte de audios con SINPO: 54343 // 700 AM, vía Lima, Programa "Los grandes temas" con el tema de la mayordomía cristiana. Se0al con SINFO: 43444 con un leve QRM de LV3 que tiene fading (Claudio Galaz, Rx: Tecsun PL-660, Antena: Hilo largo de 5 metros, QTH: Barraza Bajo, Comuna de Ovalle, IV Región, Chile, condiglista yg via DXLD)

5980, Feb 18 at 0057, R. Chaski poorly audible with some talk; turn on BFO to catch the cutoff which comes at 0103:01\*, i.e. 11.5 seconds later than two nights ago (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

\*\* PHILIPPINES. 9430, FEBC Radio International verified an electronic report with an electronic reply from Owen in 7 days who mentions "this broadcast came from Bocaue, on transmitter BSW2 - a Continental 418 model, 100 kW transmitter, and the antenna is a TCI 611 curtain antenna. I look forward to hearing from you again. SWL is a great hobby. I am an Amateur Radio operator myself, and for 18 years,

operated as KH0EX when I lived in Saipan, and worked on KFBS - FEBC's SWstation." (Rich D'Angelo-PA-USA, DXplorer Feb 10 via BC-DX 14 Feb via DXLD)

\*\* ROMANIA. Radio Romania International, 7345, from 0636 to 0644 UT on 2/13/14. Female announcer in English about problems in Romanian Party politics, crime statistics-went down as did motor vehicle deaths. Also mentioned mobile app available in US, call for info at 716-714-2526 or website <http://www.wrd.com> Also World Radio Day Feb 14-15. ID's at 0638 and 0644 (Steve Cross, Del City OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

11620, Feb 13 at 1510, RRI in Arabic, fair with long/short path echo. Altho 300 kW aimed 140 degrees from Galbeni, I think I am getting as much signal off the back, 320 degrees, which is close to USward (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

\*\* RUSSIA. 5900, RUSSIA (ASIATIC), Radio Voice of Russia, 1502, Feb 18 English, man with news, weather for NY City and Moscow, 1506:30 IDs as iRadio VRÎ and iRadio Voice of RussiaÎ. Poor (Harold Sellers, Vernon, British Columbia, Listening in my car, beside the lake, with the Eton E1 and Sony AN1 active antenna, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

\*\* RUSSIA: This evening, February 16th, 2014 on 6020 at 1800 UTC was heard: Adygey Radio in Adygeyan, without IS, right now the National Anthem of Adygey Republic, ID, melody, address in Internet - generally one hour prgr duration (QRM China). So AR is not with the destiny of Tatarstan Radio, just till today. (Rumen Pankov, Sofia, Bulgaria, WORLD OF RADIO 1709, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

\*\* RUSSIA. DRM IN SHORTWAVE OFFERS UNIQUE POTENTIAL FOR NATIONAL COVERAGE

Victor Goreglyad, Deputy General DirectorñDirector of Department for Radio Broadcasting and Radio Communication, has summarised the results of recent DRM studies undertaken in Russia. One of the conclusions is that digital radio broadcasting using the DRM standard ensures greater coverage with a better quality of audio content whilst using less transmitter power when compared with traditional AM radio broadcasting. Full article here <http://www.drm.org/?p=2822> (via Mike Terry, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

\*\* RUSSIA. Radio Green Eyes --- The Russian station is clear here with an S3 signal strength from 1200 past 1300 UT on 25900 kHz with plenty of music from Rainbow but still have yet to be able to contact the station. Please note that this station is only broadcasting on Fridays from slightly before 1200 until 1500 UT (Nick Sharp, UK, Feb 14, BDXC-UK yg via DXLD)

Thanks to Nick for the tip, MTUCI also audible here with good signal on 25900 kHz at 1350 UT, Russian talk rock music. ID in Russian by YL at 1354 sounds like "Radio Station Moscow Technical University..." now music. Best reception here using the Wellbrook ALA1530 loop; it's quite weak on the longwire. Incidentally, I've never actually heard the station using the ID "Radio Zelyonny Glazonly" which can also be translated as iRadio Magic Eye. 73s (Dave Kenny, Caversham, England, AOR7030+ Wellbrook loop, ibid.)

25900, Radio MTUCI, Moscow (presumed) heard from 1428 to 1500 GMT on 2/14/14. At tune-in, rock music was being played, followed at 1435 by an apparent call-in program. A man and woman conversed in Russian, sometimes passionately stressing a point, then taking listeners' calls. At 1455, more rock music was played to shut down at exactly 1500. The signal increased in strength as it approached 1500, but was fair overall. I've emailed a reception report to both the university and the address given in the 2014 WRTH (Bob Brossell Pewaukee, WI, JRC NRD-545; Eton E1; Sony ICF SW77, NASWA Flashsheet via WORLD OF RADIO 1709, DXLD)

\*\* RUSSIA. Re: ``Don't you believe that Sochi is ``sub-tropical`` as often denoted by ignorant foreigners (or believing Russian propaganda? Even when they are there). Yes, they may manage to cultivate palm trees (if they are real), but anyone taking a look at an atlas would see that its latitude is 43-55 North, which is further from the subtropix than Buffalo or Casper!! Get real.``

Was climate geography taught in your school based on latitude only :-)  
<http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Sochi>  
It is one of the very few places in Russia with a subtropical  
<http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Subtropical>  
climate, with warm to hot summers and mild winters. 73, (Mauno Ritola, dxldyg via WORLD OF RADIO 1709, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

It seems my quibble is more with the definition of ``sub-tropical``.  
Sochi climate data:  
<http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Sochi#Climate>

shows daily mean in winter of 6 C and in summer of 24. And it does get down way below freezing. That's not sub-tropical in my book. It's also absurd that per  
[http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Humid\\_subtropical\\_climate#North\\_America](http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Humid_subtropical_climate#North_America)  
the entire SE quadrant of the US (green) is ``humid subtropical``, including even Oklahoma, up to the Ohio River and the southern half of NJ. As we have all had heavy snowfall, and temps here can get down to -20 C (Glenn Hauser, Enid, WORLD OF RADIO 1709, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

My next complaint about the winter Olympix (any of them): great usually classical music accompanies the figure skating competitions (which I watch a lot, not involving silly balls, pux, or stones, skis or boards, but lots of nice --- figures). The commentators sometimes identify the music, even the composer but \*never\* a word about the performers, what orchestras, conductors, soloists?? It's \*their\* performances which help to make or break the skaters; how would you like it for \*your world-class\* music performance to go unmentioned? Of course, the few-minute routines usually involve editing the music to the 'best' parts, perhaps necessary, but a bit of a travesty for those of us who know the music (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

\*\* RUSSIA [non]. 9520, Feb 17 at 0418, fair signal with jazz, Russian announcement, more jazz past 0430 this UT Monday. EiBi shows it's R. Liberty at 0400-0600 via KUWAIT, following 03-04 via Nauen (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

\*\* RWANDA. New website, URL and parent organization for Radio Rwanda

Rwanda Broadcasting Agency is the new name for that country's state radio and television organisation, and they have a slick new website and URL at <http://www.rba.co.rw>

The site is presented in English, French and Kinyarwanda and offers live streams and on-demand archive files of their Rwanda TV and Radio Rwanda services, in addition to live streaming of Magic FM. There are also frequency details of five RBA community radio stations (David Kernick, England, Feb 18, dxldy via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

\*\* RWANDA [non]. 17540, R. Impala (via Talata-Volondry, MADAGASCAR), \*1700-1720+ 12, 13, 14 Feb. Thanks to a tip from "glimmer twin" on the HF Underground site, R. Impala heard opening with (presumed) Kinyarwanda song, ID/freq/sked/"mission statement" in (presumed) Kinyarwanda/English/French (language segments separated by trumpet sounder), then 2 more local songs and a repeat of the ID, etc. -- very good signal -- easily heard on the PL380 using just the whip antenna (Dan Sheedy, Swami's Beach, CA PL380 "barefoot", DX LISTENING DIGEST)

17540, Feb 17 at 1700, [after no signal on 17500 from sought R. Ndeke Luka ñ see CENTRAL AFRICAN REPUBLIC], fair signal here with music until 1705 announcement mentioning Rwanda, no doubt in Kinyarwanda, 1706 English ID for Radio Impala, at 7-8 pm, and info about station's mission concerning human rights, etc. Fanfare, and 1707 same in French, then into another song. Recorded this:

<http://www.w4uvh.net/impala.rm>

English segment is 1:19 to 2:29 in the 4:27 clip.

Aoki shows 250 kW, 310 degrees from MADAGASCAR, favorable for us, daily at 1700-1758 (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

[Re 14-07] Radio Impala: Received today at 1700 UT on 17540, with a very strong signal here in northern NJ. ID in three languages, Kinyarwanda (I guess), English and French. In English and French, they say Radio Impala, but in Kinyarwanda, somehow she pronounced like Radio Mara. Sound clip is on my blog (sorry, text is in Japanese). <http://shortwaverecording.blog.so-net.ne.jp/2014-02-18>  
(Sakae Obara (NJ, USA), Feb 18, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

In English, stress is on first syllable, Õmpala (gh, DXLD)

My notes show that Radio Impala "took the spot" of Radio Mara (time & kHz) just two weeks ago or so - I have many recordings of Radio Mara & they always open with a solo acoustic guitar preamble - Impala opens up with more upbeat multi instrument music. Can send links to both. Thanks (Rich Ray, Burr Ridge, IL, ibid.)

New target broadcast to Rwanda called Radio Impala heard from sign-on at 1700 with excellent signal here on 17540 kHz. WRTH update says this is on-air daily at 1700-1800 via Madagascar. Opening announcements and IDs in Kinyarwanda (presumed), English and French. Says it aims at promoting democracy in Rwanda and the Great Lakes region. Web site <http://radioimpala.com> says it broadcasts from London. Online audio feed not working. 73s (Dave Kenny, Feb 15, BDXC-UK yg via DXLD)

\*\* SAUDI ARABIA. 11930, Feb 13 at 2221, Qur'an from BSKSA, with pulse jamming under: R. Marti may be finished with 11930 at 2200, but the DentreCuban Jamming Command lingers on, and woe betide any station foolish enough to try to time-share an OCB frequency. In fact, 11930 pulsejamming can often be heard in the middle of the night!

This Sa'udi is 500 kW due west from Riyadh, but fortunately there is also // 11820 in the clear and much stronger at 320 degrees toward W Europe, and incidentally, us. I let the latter lullabye my nap until it cuts off abruptly circa 2300, the scheduled closing time for both after five hours each.

11915, Feb 14 at 2126, Qur'an from BSKSA on poor signal but in the clear at 295 degrees unlike presumed // 11930 at 270, totally blocked by DentreCuban Jamming Command, and Radio Marti. And best on // 11820 at 320 degrees (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

\*\* SOLOMON ISLANDS. 9545, SIBC - Voice of the Nation, 0757-0950, Feb 13. I know I am in a rut with this station, but it seems a shame not to enjoy it as much as possible when I have such good reception and they have such excellent local programming. Schedule of international flights; news in Pijin; speech before parliament; iservice messages; ibible reading; iDerek Prince Legacy Radio religious program;

iSolomon Islands National Universityî program. Very readable!

iS-I-B-C is the voice of the voiceless, the marginalized, the powerless, the invisible and the unreachable. Information is power, so share your story with us and it will change the life of another person, community and a nation. S-I-B-C, Radio Happy Isles, Voice of the Nation.î

Sports promo ñ football/soccer Telekom S-League games this weekend at Lawson Tama Stadium, with Solomon Warriors vs Malaita Kings, etc.

Clear audio at

<https://app.box.com/s/vlz7y8pfzi1dx6chzy96>

(Ron Howard, San Francisco at Ocean Beach, CA, EtÛn E1, dxldyg via WORLD OF RADIO 1709, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

La SIBC desde Honiara en 9545. Primera vez que consigo escucharla en esta frecuencia y segunda en la vida, ya que solo habia podido en 5020 un dia de propagacion muy fuerte hacia el Pacifico en 60 metros. A las 0700 UT.

<http://youtu.be/PWZSDjaYbBw>

(Rodolfo Tizzi, Uruguay, Feb 14, condiglista via DXLD)

9545, SIBC - Voice of the Nation, 0842, Feb 17. Good; "service messages," "from Blue Ocean Shipping Co. Ltd. . . LC Dragon will be making a trip on Thursday . . ." Very clear audio at

<https://app.box.com/s/in102j2pim9w69zrcdn6>

(Ron Howard, San Francisco at Ocean Beach, CA, EtÛn E1, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

\*\* SOMALILAND. SOMALIA: R. Hargeysa, Hargeysa, 7120 kHz. 0441 UT Feb 18, Station ID by OM in Somali and Horn of Africa music. Clear but QRM from 40m CW. S7 (Nick Rumble, Kannapolis, North Carolina U.S.A., Receiver: Yaesu FRG - 100, Drake R8, Antenna: 220 ft. Inverted L Longwire, Homebrew 1 Meter MagLoop, Cumbre dx yg via DXLD)

\*\* SOUTH AFRICA. Channel Africa 0400- news w/ story on al shabab controlling larger portion of Somalia. Great reception - SINPO 44333, 2.19.2014 (Chris, Columbus, Ohio, Sent from Yahoo Mail on Android, DX LISTENING DIGEST) WTFK? Must be 7230, only English frequency at that hour (gh)

\*\* SOUTH AFRICA. Article on more rot at our National Broadcaster, the SABC:

[http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/co/UqJF/~3/-CZS4J5J\\_Fw/?](http://feedproxy.google.com/~r/co/UqJF/~3/-CZS4J5J_Fw/?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=email)

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(Bill Bingham, Johannesburg RSA, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Corruption, unqualified leadership. Viz.: (gh, DXLD)

#### SABC'S MOTSOENENG LIED HIS WAY TO THE TOP

Public protector Thuli Madonsela has painted a damning picture of ifraudi, iliesi and iabuse of poweri by SABC acting chief operating officer Hlaudi Motsoeneng and said that communications minister Yunus Carrim must act urgently to stop the rot at the public broadcaster. By Duncan McLeod. . .

<http://www.techcentral.co.za/sabcs-motsoeneng-lied-his-way-to-the-top/46475/>  
(via DXLD)

More on Thuli's SABC report:

<http://emma.thedailymaverick.co.za/servlet/link/3890/352103/32116434/1911270>  
(Bill Bingham, Johannesburg RSA, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

\*\* SOUTH CAROLINA [non]. 9980, Sat Feb 15 at 1539, only WWCR among the Brother Scare stations adds a big squeal/hum/buzz, so it's their problem, not the uplink or downlink. Clear unmarred audio on // but never synchronized: 9955 WRMI, 9930 WTWW, 9690 WRMI, 9370 WWRB and even 13810 MBR from Germany. This is of course during the live Sabbath service, when BS goes even more bonkers than usual ---

But NOT on 15420-CUSB WBCQ: I had heard the IS and ID loop before sign-on 1500, but at 1540 playing rock music (possibly gospel rock), no BS. Despite the fact that the 15420 schedule <http://schedule.wbcq.com/main.php?fn=sked&freq=15420> now does show Overcomer only at 15-18 UT Saturdays!  
(Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

\*\* SOUTH CAROLINA [non]. 7570, Feb 16 at 0638, on WRMI, Brother Scare is musing on how he doesn't have ironclad contracts with stations, so ``when we cannot pay, we do not go`` on such as WRMI, WHRI, WWCR, WWRB. So there's always hope that a new month will see reductions in total hours; preferably on WWCR, WHRI. Also heard him musing that since he's 80 years old, the world may \*not\* end in \*his\* lifetime, after all, shux. The mere end of the world is not to be confused with the end of time, yeah right (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Cancelled transmissions of Brother Stair via WRMI via Okeechobee: 0300-1300 on 9495 YFR 100 kW / 181 deg to CARR. No signal from Feb 17. Frequency present in the last schedule of WRMI, effective from Feb 11. <http://swldxbulgaria.blogspot.com/2014/02/cancelled-transmissions-of-brother.html>  
(Ivo Ivanov, QTH: Sofia, Bulgaria, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Additional broadcast of Brother Stair via WRMI Okeechobee from Feb. 10: 2300-2400 9955 YFR 100 kW / 160 deg to CeAm Mon-Fri, ex Family R. Spanish. Brother Stair via WRMI Okeechobee was back on 7570 with 10

hours of operation, 0100-1100 7570 YFR 100 kW / 315 deg to WNAW, x  
2200-1000 before changes (DX RE MIX NEWS # 838 from Georgi Bancov and  
Ivo Ivanov, Feb. 14, 2014, dxldyg via DXLD)

Deleted frequency of Brother Stair via Media Broadcast from Feb. 9  
1400-1600 on 9460 NAU 100 kW / 270 deg to WeEu Mon-Fri  
1400-1600 on 9460 MOS 100 kW / 285 deg to WeEu Sat/Sun

Only one frequency is currently used of Brother Stair via Media  
Broadcast:  
1400-1600 13810 ISS 100 kW / 120 deg N/ME strong signal, SINPO 45554  
(DX RE MIX NEWS # 838 from Georgi Bancov and Ivo Ivanov, Feb. 14,  
2014, dxldyg via DXLD)

\*\* SPAIN. 21640, Thu Feb 13 at 1438, REE is axually on this frequency  
// 21610, both very poor but // 17595. 1515 both are better with echo,  
long-path? audible especially on 21640. As I reported, as late as Feb  
10, Monday, they were still sticking to 21630 and colliding with BBC  
Ascension at 1400-1430.

Perhaps REE finally concluded 21640 was called for since published as  
such for every day, not just weekends, in the WRTH Update? So a red  
correxion update update may not be necessary on this. Could still be a  
fluke, and further chex called for. Still on 21640 Friday Feb 14  
around same time.

17850, Feb 14 at 2116, huge signal from REE in Spanish, and at this  
hour the OSOB! What a pity that countless other European, not to  
mention, African and American countries, have \*no\* interest in SW  
broadcasting on this band when it's wide open to N America. 17850 is  
for Central America.

[and non]. 11780, UT Tue Feb 18 at 0114, REE IS is atop RNB, which  
takes some doing, prior to 0115-0145 weekly Sephardic service, while  
alternate 11795 still goes empty, as the clueless Spaniards keep  
colliding with Brasil. At least the pair are very, very close to zero-  
beat now (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

\*\* SRI LANKA. 11905, Feb 16 at 0130 ToH, tune-in just in time to hear  
another off-timesignal, 3 pips ending 10.5 seconds late, just like at  
sign-on 0115, and Sri Lanka Broadcasting Corporation ID in English  
during Hindi service. Good strength but heavy flutter (Glenn Hauser,  
OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

[and non]. Strong signals tonight from South Asia, as a good opening  
to AIR, Bengaluru on 11620 kHz. led me to try for Sri Lanka  
Broadcasting Corporation, Triconmalee on 11905 kHz. It's very strong  
here in Southwest Florida at the moment with Bengali heard from 0125

GMT tune in until 0130 when there was a clear ID in English followed by an announcement in Hindi and then some subcontinental vocals. SINPO rating: 54444. Fading considerably to almost in audibility at 0159.

(John Figliozi, Sarasota, FL, Eton E1-XM off whip, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Sri Lanka holding its own but fading here, 0203z, 11905 on barefoot Sony portable icf-sw7600gr (Rich Ray, Burr Ridge, IL ibid.)

Winter B-13 SW of Sri Lanka Broadcasting Corporation:

0115-0130 11905\*TRM 125 kW / 345 deg SoAs Bengali-Christian program

0130-0230 11905\*TRM 125 kW / 345 deg SoAs Hindi

0230-0300 11905\*TRM 125 kW / 345 deg SoAs English-Christian program

0300-0330 11905\*TRM 125 kW / 345 deg SoAs Hindi

\* co-ch CNR-6 in Amoy

1115-1130 9720 TRM 125 kW / 345 deg SoAs Hindi

1130-1145 9720 TRM 125 kW / 345 deg SoAs Malayalam-Christian program

1145-1200 9720 TRM 125 kW / 345 deg SoAs Hindi

1200-1215 9720#TRM 125 kW / 345 deg SoAs Tamil-Christian program

# co-ch CRI in Tagalog

This program is the air in different days different weeks of the month

1630-1830 11750 TRM 125 kW / 345 deg SoAs Sinhala Mon/Tue/Fri/Sat 1st

1630-1830 11750 TRM 125 kW / 345 deg SoAs Sinhala Mon/Tue/Thu/Sat 2nd

1630-1830 11750 TRM 125 kW / 345 deg SoAs Sinhala Mon/Tue/Wed/Sat 3rd

1630-1830 11750 TRM 125 kW / 345 deg SoAs Sinhala Tue/Wed/Thu/Sat 4th

1630-1830 11750 TRM 125 kW / 345 deg SoAs Sinhala Mon/Wed/Fri/Sat 5th

(DX RE MIX NEWS # 838 from Georgi Bancov and Ivo Ivanov, Feb. 14, 2014, dxldyg via DXLD)

\*\* SUDAN [non]. 15530, R. Tamazuji via UAE, Feb 14 0409-0419, 35433, Arabic, Talk, ID at 0410, etc.

15530, R. Dabanga via UAE, Feb 14 0506-0514, 35433, Arabic, Talk, ID and SJ and IS at 0508 and 0510 (Kouji Hashimoto, JAPAN, RX IC-R75, NRD-525+RD-9830, NRD-515, NRD-345, Satellite 750, DE-1121; ANT 70m Sloper Wire, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

CLANDESTINE, Frequency changes of Radio Tamazuji and Radio Dabanga:

Radio Tamazuji

0400-0430 NF 15530 DHA 250 kW / 240 deg to EaAf Arabic, ex 13800

1500-1530 NF 15530 SMG 200 kW / 150 deg to EaAf Arabic, ex 15535

Radio Dabanga

0430-0600 NF 15530 DHA 250 kW / 240 deg to EaAf Arabic, ex 13800

1530-1630 NF 15530 SMG 200 kW / 150 deg to EaAf Arabic, ex 15535

<http://swldxbulgaria.blogspot.com/2014/02/frequency-changes-of-radio-tamazuji-and.html>

-- 73! (Ivo Ivanov, QTH: Sofia, Bulgaria, dxldyg via WORLD OF RADIO 1709, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

\*\* TAIWAN [and non]. Winter B-13 of Radio Taiwan International:

0000-0030 on 11655 PAO 100 kW / 205 deg to SEAs Vietnamese

0000-0300 on 9660 KOU 100 kW / 267 deg to SEAs Chinese

0200-0300 on 9730 ISS 500 kW / 232 deg to SoAm Spanish

0300-0400 on 15320 TNN 100 kW / 225 deg to SEAs English

0400-0430 on 15320 TNN 100 kW / 225 deg to SEAs Cantonese

0400-0600 on 11640 KOU 100 kW / 310 deg to EaAs Chinese

0430-0500 on 15320 TNN 100 kW / 225 deg to SEAs Hakka

0800-0900 on 11605 TNN 250 kW / 045 deg to JPN Japanese

0900-1000 on 15270 PAO 100 kW / 225 deg to SEAs Vietnamese

0900-1000 on 15465 PAO 300 kW / 230 deg to SEAs Chinese

1000-1030 on 9735 TNN 100 kW / 208 deg to SEAs Cantonese

1000-1030 on 15270 PAO 100 kW / 225 deg to SEAs Cantonese

1000-1100 on 6105 KOU 100 kW / 310 deg to EaAs Chinese

1000-1100 NF 6180 TSH 100 kW / 310 deg to EaAs Chinese, ex 6135

1000-1100 on 7385 TSH 100 kW / 352 deg to EaAs Chinese

1000-1100 on 9660 KOU 100 kW / 267 deg to SEAs Chinese

1000-1100 on 11640 KOU 100 kW / 310 deg to EaAs Chinese

1000-1100 on 11915 TNN 250 kW / 205 deg to SEAs Indonesian

1000-1100 on 15465 PAO 300 kW / 230 deg to SEAs Amoy

1030-1100 on 9735 TNN 100 kW / 208 deg to SEAs Hakka

1030-1100 on 15270 PAO 100 kW / 225 deg to SEAs Hakka

1100-1200 NF 6180 TSH 100 kW / 310 deg to EaAs Chinese, ex 6135

1100-1200 on 7385 TSH 100 kW / 352 deg to EaAs Chinese

1100-1200 on 7445 PAO 100 kW / 225 deg to SEAs English

1100-1200 on 9660 KOU 100 kW / 267 deg to SEAs Chinese

1100-1200 on 9680 PAO 100 kW / 310 deg to EaAs Chinese

1100-1200 on 9735 TNN 250 kW / 045 deg to JPN Japanese

1100-1200 on 11640 KOU 100 kW / 310 deg to EaAs Chinese

1100-1200 on 11915 TNN 100 kW / 205 deg to SEAs Chinese

1100-1200 on 11985 TSH 100 kW / 002 deg to NEAs Russian

1200-1230 on 6105 KOU 100 kW / 267 deg to SEAs Cantonese

1200-1230 on 11915 TNN 250 kW / 205 deg to SEAs Cantonese

1200-1300 NF 6180 TSH 100 kW / 310 deg to EaAs Chinese, ex 6135

1200-1300 on 7385 TSH 100 kW / 352 deg to EaAs Chinese

1200-1300 on 7445 PAO 100 kW / 225 deg to SEAs Chinese

1200-1300 on 9660 KOU 100 kW / 267 deg to SEAs Chinese

1200-1300 on 9680 PAO 100 kW / 310 deg to EaAs Chinese

1200-1300 on 9735 TNN 100 kW / 208 deg to SEAs Indonesian

1200-1300 on 11640 KOU 100 kW / 310 deg to EaAs Chinese

1200-1300 on 11765 PAO 100 kW / 205 deg to SEAs Vietnamese

1230-1300 on 6105 KOU 100 kW / 267 deg to SEAs Hakka  
 1230-1300 on 11915 TNN 250 kW / 205 deg to SEAs Hakka  
  
 1300-1400 NF 6180 TSH 100 kW / 310 deg to EaAs Chinese, ex 6135  
 1300-1400 on 7385 TSH 100 kW / 352 deg to EaAs Chinese  
 1300-1400 on 7445 PAO 100 kW / 225 deg to SEAs Chinese  
 1300-1400 on 9660 KOU 100 kW / 267 deg to SEAs Chinese  
 1300-1400 on 9735 TNN 250 kW / 045 deg to JPN Japanese  
 1300-1400 on 11640 KOU 100 kW / 310 deg to EaAs Chinese  
 1300-1400 on 11915 TNN 250 kW / 205 deg to SEAs Amoy  
 1300-1400 on 15265 TNN 250 kW / 325 deg to SEAs Chinese  
  
 1400-1500 on 6075 KOU 100 kW / 310 deg to EaAs Chinese  
 1400-1500 on 6145 KOU 100 kW / 310 deg to EaAs Chinese  
 1400-1500 NF 6180 TSH 100 kW / 310 deg to EaAs Chinese, ex 6135  
 1400-1500 on 7385 TSH 100 kW / 352 deg to EaAs Chinese  
 1400-1500 on 7445 PAO 100 kW / 225 deg to SEAs Chinese  
 1400-1500 on 9625 TNN 250 kW / 250 deg to SEAs Vietnamese  
 1400-1500 NF 9660 KOU 100 kW / 245 deg to SEAs Thai, ex 11635  
 1400-1500 on 9680 PAO 100 kW / 310 deg to EaAs Chinese  
 1400-1500 NF 9735 TNN 250 kW / 205 deg to SEAs Indonesian, ex 11875  
 1400-1500 on 15180 ISS 500 kW / 060 deg to RUSS Russian  
  
 1500-1530 on 11605 TNN 250 kW / 205 deg to SEAs Cantonese  
 1500-1600 on 6075 KOU 100 kW / 310 deg to EaAs Chinese  
 1500-1600 on 6145 KOU 100 kW / 310 deg to EaAs Chinese  
 1500-1600 on 7365 TSH 300 kW / 325 deg to EaAs Chinese  
 1500-1600 on 7380 PAO 100 kW / 267 deg to SEAs Chinese  
 1500-1600 on 7385 TSH 100 kW / 352 deg to EaAs Chinese  
 1500-1600 NF 7445 PAO 100 kW / 225 deg to SEAs Thai, ex 7555  
 1500-1600 NF 9660 KOU 100 kW / 245 deg to SEAs Thai, ex 11635  
 1500-1600 on 9680 PAO 100 kW / 310 deg to EaAs Chinese  
 1530-1600 on 11605 TNN 250 kW / 205 deg to SEAs Hakka  
  
 1600-1700 on 6075 KOU 100 kW / 310 deg to EaAs Chinese  
 1600-1700 on 6145 KOU 100 kW / 310 deg to EaAs Chinese  
 1600-1700 on 6180 TNN 250 kW / 205 deg to EaAs English  
 1600-1700 on 7365 TSH 300 kW / 325 deg to EaAs Chinese  
 1600-1700 on 7385 TSH 100 kW / 352 deg to EaAs Chinese  
 1600-1700 on 9680 PAO 100 kW / 310 deg to EaAs Chinese  
 1600-1700 on 15485 ISS 500 kW / 085 deg to SoAs English  
  
 1700-1800 on 6075 KOU 100 kW / 310 deg to EaAs Chinese  
 1700-1800 on 6145 KOU 100 kW / 310 deg to EaAs Chinese  
 1700-1800 on 7465 ISS 500 kW / 055 deg to RUSS Russian till Feb. 22  
 1700-1800 on 9540 ISS 500 kW / 055 deg to RUSS Russian from Feb. 23  
 1700-1800 on 15690 ISS 500 kW / 160 deg to SoAf English

1800-1900 on 3965 ISS 250 kW / 345 deg to U.K. English  
1900-2000 on 3955 WOF 250 kW / 114 deg to WeEu German  
1900-2000 on 9895 DHA 250 kW / 315 deg to WeEu French  
1900-2000 on 11875 ISS 500 kW / 190 deg to NoAf French  
2000-2100 on 3965 ISS 250 kW / 215 deg to SoEu Spanish  
2100-2200 on 3965 ISS 250 kW / 050 deg to WeEu German

2200-2300 on 5010 KOU 100 kW / 310 deg to EaAs Chinese  
2200-2300 on 6105 KOU 100 kW / 310 deg to EaAs Chinese  
2200-2300 on 7445 PAO 100 kW / 225 deg to SEAs Thai  
2200-2300 on 9450 TSH 100 kW / 002 deg to JPN Chinese  
2200-2300 on 11605 TNN 250 kW / 045 deg to JPN Japanese  
2200-2300 on 11635 TNN 250 kW / 208 deg to SEAs Chinese

2300-2400 on 5010 KOU 100 kW / 310 deg to EaAs Chinese  
2300-2400 on 6105 KOU 100 kW / 310 deg to EaAs Chinese  
2300-2400 on 7445 PAO 100 kW / 225 deg to SEAs Thai  
2300-2400 on 9450 TSH 100 kW / 002 deg to JPN Chinese  
2300-2400 on 9660 KOU 100 kW / 267 deg to SEAs Chinese  
2300-2400 on 9685 PAO 100 kW / 267 deg to SEAs Chinese  
2300-2400 on 11635 TNN 250 kW / 208 deg to SEAs Chinese  
2330-2400 on 11655 PAO 100 kW / 205 deg to SEAs Vietnamese

(DX RE MIX NEWS # 838 from Georgi Bancov and Ivo Ivanov, Feb. 14,  
2014, dxldyg via DXLD)

Radio Taiwan International, Kouhu, 5010 kHz. 2306 UT Feb 18, OM and YL  
with news program in Chinese. Nice signal for 60m. S9 (Nick Rumpel,  
Kannapolis, North Carolina U.S.A., Receiver: Yaesu FRG - 100, Drake  
R8, Antenna: 220 ft. Inverted L Longwire, Homebrew 1 Meter MagLoop,  
Cumbre dx yg via DXLD) And not the CNR1 jammer? only one station? (gh,  
DXLD)

\*\* TAJIKISTAN. Measured Feb 8th at 0820 UT: harmonics 9530.148,  
14295.222, and 19060.297 kHz, Feb 12 at 0940 UT: harmonics 14295.211  
and 19060.286 kHz (Wolfgang B, schel, Germany, BC-DX 14 Feb via DXLD)

\*\* THAILAND. 13745, Feb 14 at 0022, HSK9 with news in English about  
the eastern USA snowstorm; heavy flutter but still readable. No QubaRM  
as 13740 is not on, and 13780 is far enough away (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX  
LISTENING DIGEST)

\*\* TIBET [non]. Frequency changes of Voice of Tibet

1315-1330 NF 9338 DB 100 kW / 095 deg to EaAs Chinese, ex 9323  
1315-1330 NF 11527 DB 100 kW / 131 deg to CeAs Tibetan, ex 11517

1330-1345 NF 9338 DB 100 kW / 095 deg to EaAs Chinese, ex 9323  
1330-1345 NF 11527 DB 100 kW / 131 deg to CeAs Tibetan, ex 11513

1345-1400 NF 9343 DB 100 kW / 095 deg to EaAs Chinese, ex 9328  
1345-1400 NF 11538 DB 100 kW / 131 deg to CeAs Tibetan, ex 11513

1400-1415 NF 11543 DB 100 kW / 131 deg to CeAs Tibetan, ex 11507  
1400-1415 on 15520 MDC 250 kW / 045 deg to CeAs Tibetan no change

1415-1430 NF 11543 DB 100 kW / 131 deg to CeAs Tibetan, ex 11507  
1415-1430 on 15515 MDC 250 kW / 045 deg to CeAs Tibetan no change

All frequencies are jammed by CNR-1 on xxxx0 or xxxx5

Changes between frequencies vary from 3 to 5 minutes.

Full schedule of Voice of Tibet:

<http://swldxbulgaria.blogspot.com/2014/02/frequency-changes-of-voice-of-tibet.html>

-- 73! (Ivo Ivanov, Feb 16, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Part of my listening last night was spent observing the movements of the Voice of Tibet as it hopped around the radio dial, trying to avoid jamming. Here's what I found:

9332, TAJIKISTAN. V of Tibet - Yangi Yul. Chinese noted here at 1302 and making a good attempt at getting past the jamming noise. Jumped to

9338 kHz at 1317 but the jamming followed on Feb 17.

15553, TAJIKISTAN. V of Tibet - Yangi Yul. Noted at 1309 here, in the clear with no jamming until 1314, but still made it through OK --- until CNR caught up at 1319 by using 15555 on Feb 17.

15537, TAJIKISTAN. V of Tibet - Yangi Yul. Talks at 1220, fair signal, although there was some Chinese jamming on 1553500so, not really jamming at all as the two signals could be easily separated using SSB mode, s/off at 1230 on Feb 17.

15568, TAJIKISTAN. V of Tibet - Yangi Yul. Tibetan programming at 1235, fair signal but with jamming from a strong CNR1 on 15570. Then at 1240, it jumped to 15562 leaving CNR behind and providing a good signal in the clear. Then CNR found them again at 1249, however still remaining 2kHz apart by using 15560, Feb 17. Cheers, (Rob Wagner VK3BVW [www.medxr.blogspot.com](http://www.medxr.blogspot.com) Feb 17, ARDXC mailing list via DXLD)

\*\* TURKEY. La Voz de Turquia, 9410 kHz --- Quiz's el locutor de TRT necesitaría un repaso sobre la acentuación en español para mejorar un poco las cosas...

<http://youtu.be/iP99h4fAjss>

-- (Rodolfo Tizzi, Uruguay, Feb 14, condiglista yg via DXLD)

Rodolfo, Entre los aspectos de la radioescucha de emisoras internacionales que m's me apasionaron ha sido justamente el español aprendido de los locutores autóctonos. Salvo muy raras excepciones,

caso de Patricia Lin en RTI-Taiwan que no se le entendía NADA, valoro muchísimo la destreza idiomática del personal del país de origen. Escuchar a un cubano a través de una emisora china, por ejemplo, le quita genuinidad a la transmisión desde ese lugar del mundo; esa es mi opinión! De todas maneras, respecto al ejemplo sonoro que nos has compartido y que agradezco, no me parece desafortunada la participación del turco. En fin, creo que estoy -sin querer- abriendo una linda polémica sobre este tema. Un abrazo! RGM (Rubén Guillermo Margenet, Argentina, ibid.)

No había nimo de polémica, Rubén. No dejo de ver que llegar al español desde otros idiomas no debe ser fácil para unos cuantos. Era simplemente una observación de un detalle la que hacía. Y de acuerdo también con lo de RTI: siempre me ha parecido que tienen un español bastante chapucero, algunos de sus locutores. ñ (Rodolfo Tizzi, Uruguay, ibid.)

Pero habría que pensar también que para aspirar a un cargo de locutor o redactor-locutor en una emisora de radio internacional se debiera como requisito tener un dominio evidente del idioma a utilizar. Buen tema han tocado los colegas (Horacio Nigro, Uruguay, ibid.)

I am often flabbergasted by the extremely broken, almost incomprehensible ``English`` NHK World TV allows some of its correspondents or `experts` to speak on air; fortunately, the anchors are mostly semi-Japanese native speakers of English or even non-Japanese, like the weatherman. Otherwise, open captioning, or even voice-overs by better speakers are needed (Glenn Hauser, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

\*\* UGANDA. After a few 'dry' weeks, finally a new country: 4976, R Uganda, Kampala, 20FEB2014, 1950> In English, male and female presenters, station ID before hour. 2000 British pop song, 2004> more similar musical items. Audible until 2017. Overall weak signal. Noisy with fast fading. Country #82 (Nick Hacko VK2DX, Sydney, [Perseus, vertical], [UT Feb 19, not 20], dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

\*\* UKRAINE. ALERT --- There seems to be a clandestine on 7080 playing a continuous fanfare allegedly in tribute to Ukraine. No speech but apparent QRM from some digital amateurs. I am hearing via the Twente webSDR. Was alerted to it in the chatroom. Seems to be SSB. QSB present also (Robin Harwood VK7RH, Norwood, Tasmania 7250, 0515 UT Feb 19, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

It has gone now and it turned out to be a pirate who happened to be in the chatroom alerting SWLs to the signal. So not really a clandestine. Tried to hear it on other tuners but nothing (Robin Harwood VK7RH, Norwood, Tasmania 7250, 0540 UT, ibid. WORLD OF RADIO 1709, DXLD)

\*\* UKRAINE. 11980.5, Dniprovskya Hvylya (Wave of Dniestr) was not on at 0800 Feb 2, but little later at 0815 with Russian song. Better heard with SSB, best on USB, S1. A recording can be heard here <http://www.ipernity.com/doc/zliangas/30186257> (Zacharias Liangas, Thessaloniki, Greece, not posted until Feb 16, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

11980.10, Dniprovskya Khvylya, Zaporizhia, 0815-0825, Sunday Feb 09, Ukrainian talk mentioning Ukraine, song by choir, 25232. It is only on the air Sat/Sun at 0700-0900 (Anker Petersen, Skovlunde, Denmark, DSWCI DX Window Feb 19 via DXLD)

\*\* U K. Boooooo! Hiss! Shared link: <http://asiaradiotoday.com/2014/02/bbc-world-service-brought-to-you-by/>

Not surprised to see this development in the marketplace economy we now find ourselves, but still, a definite dark day for "public service" international broadcasting, at least in my opinion.

[Internetradio] BBC TRUST CONFIRMS WORLD SERVICE WILL CARRY ADVERTISING AND COMMERCIAL CONTENT FROM 1 APRIL | The Drum

<http://www.thedrum.com/news/2014/02/12/bbc-trust-confirms-world-service-will-carry-advertising-and-commercial-activity-1>

Mentions reactions from the union to which BBCWS broadcasters belong. RC (Rich Cuff, internetradio via DXLD)

I am booing and hissing at your side ef (Eric Flod n, boo Vancouver, hiss BC, ibid.)

BBC TRUST CONFIRMS WORLD SERVICE WILL CARRY ADVERTISING AND COMMERCIAL CONTENT FROM 1 APRIL ---  
12 February 2014 - 6:00pm | posted by Angela Haggerty

Change: The World Service is to begin hosting commercial contentThe National Union of Journalists (NUJ) has urged the BBC Trust to reverse what it has called a idangerous  decision to begin allowing the World Service to carry advertising and sponsored content.

Peter Horrocks, director of the World Service, told staff in a letter that the change would take effect from April, sparking condemnation from the union.

He wrote: iThe BBC Trust has agreed that, subject to clearance from government, the World Service can broadcast a limited amount of advertising and sponsored content that is not news and current

affairs, from 1 April. This decision is outlined in the Trust's board minutes which were published yesterday.

Yesterday I was questioned by the Foreign Affairs Committee in the House of Commons. Throughout the session it was clear that the committee continue to place a very high value on the World Service. We discussed the future of the World Service, including commercial funding, and I was clear that this would only ever constitute a small percentage of our overall budget.

This top-up funding will enable us to make new investments and reach even more people around the world. However, maintaining our editorial integrity, and our commitment to broadcast impartial and independent news, will always take precedence over commercial goals.

However, NUJ general secretary Michelle Stanistreet warned that the introduction of advertising was the wrong route for the World Service.

NUJ members at the BBC believe that any advertising or sponsored content in World Service radio will devalue the brand and threaten the impartiality of BBC World Service programmes, she said. We call on the BBC Trust to reverse this extremely foolish and dangerous decision. Given that the BBC is able to waste £100m on a failed IT project, there should be no question of this proposal going ahead.

The change coincides with the end of the World Service's current stream of funding from the Foreign Office. From April, the service's £245m budget will instead come from the licence fee.

Writing in the Independent on Monday, BBC director general Tony Hall said that commercial funding will never get in the way of the BBC's output and said the move was necessary.

Over the past 80 years, we have built a global news service that is respected and relied upon by a quarter of a billion people, he wrote. The World Service has now been given permission to seek extra funds from both commercial and non-commercial sources, where appropriate, by the BBC Trust.

This is an economic necessity, but let me stress that its future is safe in our hands. Advertisements will never get in the way of our output nor be a dominant part of it. Commercial activity will remain a small part of our funding and there will be no advertising in the UK. The BBC's reputation for providing impartial and independent news will always take precedence. (via DXLD)

SHOULD UK LICENCE-FEE PAYERS STILL FUND THE WORLD SERVICE? | OBSERVER EDITORIAL --- The end of Foreign Office funding puts the BBC's gift to

the world in jeopardy --- Sunday 16 February 2014

<http://www.theguardian.com/commentisfree/2014/feb/16/bbc-world-service-funding-foreign-office>

Sometimes, soft power involves hard decisions. For example, deciding after 80 years of relatively settled life how the BBC World Service should be funded ñ and whether it can survive. This April, the Foreign Office grants that have made the service possible end for ever.

Henceforth, the World Service must depend on licence-fee payers, plus an expansion of advertising and sponsorship revenue. And, of course, that won't be easy.

Journalists are fearful that advertising and impartiality don't mix. MPs fear that the World Service won't have a voice when the BBC's executive board makes major strategic decisions. But perhaps there is an even bigger concern.

Television viewers have an opportunity, every day, to see the gigantic red newsroom in Broadcasting House as the camera sweeps in towards Fiona, George and Sophie: hundreds of people sitting at desks and, beyond them, upstairs, more rooms that house the old World Service denizens of a discarded Bush House. The BBC World Service isn't separate any longer. Its Pashto, Somali and Tamil speakers, among many others, are part of the mix now.

This is a resource, properly deployed, that can give special expertise to BBC international coverage. Yet it also presents a clear challenge. The World Service exists because, long ago, governments deemed its excellence, expertise and independence a gift worth beaming round the globe.

Is this the time, then, to leave the world stage, to put a burden of funding on UK licence-fee payers who have little home opportunity to enjoy what the World Service provides to its global audience? The BBC director general, Tony Hall, is admirably outspoken when he vows to keep the legacy of four decades safe, come what may. We believe him. But we also believe that, over time, the political strain of constant BBC cuts must hurt the services the UK licence-fee payer doesn't see or hear more than the ones they do. A problem for Lord Hall, naturally: but also, in its hardest form, for William Hague.  
(via David Cole, OK, DXLD)

\*\* U K. BBC WORLD SERVICE TO REDUCE SHORTWAVE TRANSMISSIONS

The Guardian 19 February 2014

<http://www.theguardian.com/media/2014/feb/19/bbc-world-service-reduce-shortwave-peter-horrocks>

The BBC World Service will further reduce its shortwave transmissions next year as part of a £15m savings drive which staff have been warned will be a "real stretch".

The money will be used to invest in new TV and digital services, part of a programme called Invest to Innovate.

An extra £6.5m is being pumped into the World Service's budget this year, alongside an extra £1.5m of savings, helping to create 130 jobs. New initiatives include a global version of Radio 1's Newsbeat.

But the BBC's director of global news, Peter Horrocks, said further savings would be required in the future.

Horrocks told staff on Tuesday: "There will be a respite on editorial job cuts, for a year, but we will need significant further editorial and organisational savings in subsequent years.

"We need to save at least £15m to fund new investments across the World Service in the next three years. We have already identified about half that saving. So we need to find at least £8m extra – that is going to be a real stretch."

Horrocks said changes would include more multilingual reporting, with staff filing for their own language service and in English, as well as a further reduction in shortwave transmissions.

He said the World Service would also have to integrate further with the main BBC News operation.

Horrocks also announced that the BBC's global news division, which includes its world news TV channel, would be renamed "World Service Group – a sort of World Service-plus" and the World Service board would be axed with the change in its funding.

The new round of cuts comes after the World Service had to find £41m of savings after its budget was cut in the government's comprehensive spending review three years ago, leading to the loss of about 550 jobs.

It closed five language services, stopped radio broadcasts in seven languages, cut back on shortwave and medium-wave transmissions and axed a number of World Service English programmes.

The World Service is to be funded directly from the BBC licence fee, along with BBC Monitoring, rather than a Foreign Office direct grant, from 1 April. This switch was agreed between the BBC and the government as part of the 2010 licence fee settlement (via Mike Terry,

dxldyg via DXLD)

"The Media Show" - BBC World Service interview

MPs have expressed concern about the future funding and growing commercialisation of the World Service. The BBC Trust has agreed that, subject to clearance from government, the World Service can broadcast a limited amount of advertising and sponsored content that is not news and current affairs, from 1 April, when the BBC moves to licence fee funding.

Steve Hewlett asks Peter Horrocks (BBC director of global news) about how the audience feels about adverts, and questions him over whether featuring commercial products would threaten the network's impartiality.

BBC Radio 4

<http://www.bbc.co.uk/programmes/b03vgf4p>

Peter Horrocks - roles and responsibilities:

- \* Peter has overall editorial and managerial responsibility for Global News.

- \* This includes the BBC World Service, BBC World News Television Channel, the BBC's international facing online news services in English, BBC Monitoring Service, BBC Global News Limited and BBC Media Action (the BBC's international development charity).

- \* Peter leads more than 2,500 journalists and support staff based in 113 countries delivering over 83,000 hours of content each year, reaching a global audience of 239m each week.

- \* He is responsible for the safe deployment of those staff around the world.

- \* Peter is a member of the News Group Board.

[http://www.bbc.co.uk/aboutthebbc/insidethebbc/managementstructure/biographies/horrocks\\_peter/](http://www.bbc.co.uk/aboutthebbc/insidethebbc/managementstructure/biographies/horrocks_peter/)

(via Mike Terry, dxldyg via DXLD)

I know he said 'about' but doesn't half of 15 = 7.5? I know 7.5 is "about" 8 but I worry about any organization that can treat a half million pounds so casually -- and I don't wonder why they might be having financial issues!

I wish they would either just admit they don't care about radio any more, cut the bloody thing out all together and be done with it or decide they do care and fund it appropriately and broadcast it in ways people can actually hear (like SW). This death by a million cuts is getting old.

A broadcaster without an audience is just an exercise in piety, to steal a phrase from a Vatican Radio director many years ago (Kenneth Vito Zichi, MI, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Guess we are looking at major BBCWS cuts for the A-15 season (Steve Luce, Houston, Texas, ibid.)

Where does the potential advertising revenue from allowing a certain amount of commercials beginning in April 2014 --- see

<http://www.theguardian.com/media/2014/feb/13/bbc-world-service-sponsored-content-threaten-impartiality>

fit into the financial equation? Wouldn't more money from ads potentially equal LESS frequency / language / program cutoffs from the BBC World Service???? I'm surprised that no connection was (or has been) made (until now) between these two stories. I throw this question out to all, especially those with more of a direct connection to the BBC World Service than merely listening to Ascension's 7325 kHz broadcast from 05 - 06 UT or listening on local FM radio stations such as WNYE or WNYC in New York during the overnight hours. Sincerely, (Shawn From Flushing NY (taking a few moments out from his Cuban DXing priority to speak his mind about other things shortwave) Fahrer, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

At one time, there was an annual publication put out by the BBC called "The BBC Handbook". It was an excellent primer on how to organize, operate and manage a prototype public service media enterprise. Today, the BBC seems intent on demonstrating how one destroys a former prototype public service media enterprise across multiple platforms. Is it merely coincidence that all of this "(un)creative destruction" began to emerge as the BBC's management became infiltrated by those who formerly worked for commercial media corporate entities--many of which were abject failures--and who had no understanding nor respect for the unique governing principles of public service vs. "let's throw anything out there as long as it makes money" commercial "values".

One thinks not. A sad end for a once great institution now shepherded by small minded, untalented hacks (John Figliozi, FL/NY, Sent from my iPad, Feb 19, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

\*\* U K [non]. [Ascension Isl/Rwanda/South Africa/Seychelles/Thailand] Some Babcock and BBC changes / closings, as from Feb 16:

5875 0300-0400 47E,48NW ex-WOF 250 kW 140 deg  
now via ASC instead 250 kW 70 deg from 1302 to 300314 Arabic G BBC BAB

Somali 15595 SEY 1130-1500 Sat only, ceased from Feb 16.

Pashto/Dari-Persian programmes change, new time

15310SLA Oman, 17720NAK

Tues only 1030-1100 Dari-Persian, 1100-1130 Pashto, excluding Tues  
1030-1130 Pashto

Dari-Persian programmes delete 1800-1900 UT from Feb 16.

5875NAK, 5910DHA, 7505NAK

Somali Sun-Fri end Feb 15, only Sats 15420SEY and 17690SEY

Somali delete 1130-1230, 17745DHA

Somali delete Sat only 1500-1700 UT, MEY

Somali Sun only 1130-1500 UT, 21470UAE (ex-ASC)

Hausa 1400-1430 UT, 17640KIG and 17780ASC

Hausa 1230-1500 UT, 21630ASC

(Wolfgang B,schel, Feb 13, wwdxc BC-DX TopNews Feb 14 via DXLD)

21630, Tuesday Feb 18 at 1418, very poor signal from BBC ASCENSION in Hausa, but still QRM-free, as Spain has managed to stay off 21630 for a second week, even on weekdays, instead on 21640 where it claimed to broadcast for months before axually doing so, except on weekends when there was also WHRI to avoid later (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST) see also SPAIN

\*\* U S A. 4819.5-USB, Feb 14 at 0103, as I am bandscanning for South Americans, encounter a paramilitary net, with the impressive name repeated by NCS with every call, ``Eighth Western Rivers Contingency Communications Net``. His call is in a format I haven't heard before, given fonetikaly, NF85AR. He's calling state by state, Kansas at the moment, and gets a reply from NM85AO, both 'loud & clear' and later mentioned as running 10 watts. 0106 calling Minnesota; 0107 Arkansas, gets reply from NF85JD in Little Rock, who starts to give his W5 ham call by mistake; then Michigan, NF95GD.

NCS et al. complain of CODAR QRM (so do I) but are pleased with how well this apparently new frequency for them is working propagationally, and should hold up until sunset becomes too early in spring. After inviting check-ins from anyone else, no takers, full ID by NCS as ``This is Coast Guard Auxiliary Radio NF85AR``, and securing the net at 1914 CST = 0114Z. Thruout, there was a het from carrier on 4820, probably Lhasa, possibly Kolkata, as there is no Latin American.

Later, Googling on the full name of the net, I reach nothing but this 26 page PDF all about it:

[http://www.trlmo.com/cgaux8wr/WR/wr\\_2013\\_4.pdf](http://www.trlmo.com/cgaux8wr/WR/wr_2013_4.pdf)

That's their fourth quarter 2013 newsletter. From that, it appears there are lots of YLs (or XYLs) involved in this aux, but no feminine

voices did I hear on the net.

Further searching finds this map of USCG Districts:

<http://www.uscg.mil/top/units/>

No. 8 is the great center of America, from ND to TX, from NM to the FL panhandle, WV, the SW corner of PA, and parts of the Great Lake states not adjacent to the Lakes. Here's the Eighth District, HQ New Orleans: <http://www.uscg.mil/d8/>

But what about the Western Rivers?? ``"Western Rivers" means the Mississippi River, its tributaries, South Pass, and Southwest Pass, to the navigational demarcation lines dividing the high seas from harbors, rivers and other inland waters of the United States, and the Port Allen-Morgan City Alternate Route, and that part of the Atchafalaya River above its junction with the Port Allen-Morgan City Alternate Route including the Old River and the Red River``.

Which Red River? There are two or three of them. That seems rather too restrictive, until you consider that the Mississippi River and its tributaries includes the Ohio, Allegheny, Missouri and Yellowstone all the way up to Montana. It would not include the Rio Grande/Bravo, but New Mexico is part of this, anyway.

I don't expect to find net schedules, as such info is generally restricted, so I start searching on the callsigns. NF85AR brings right up a roster of some 300 stations which is supposedly restricted, for official use only, so I am patriotically not giving the link, but:

NF85AR is Douglas Eubanks, Bellevue NE

NM85AO is Homer Sykes in Topeka KS

NF85JD is John Donar in North Little Rock AR

NF95GD is Gary Dawkins in Hesperia MI

{Notice that some of them manage to get their initials into calls}

(Glenn Hauser, OK, WORLD OF RADIO 1709, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

\*\* U S A. Hi Glenn: A quick question: I noticed that New York's VOLMET broadcasts currently have no data to report. All they air is a short loop mentioning that all cities' reports are missing. Are these broadcasts being phased out? How long has this been going on? Will the aviation weather conditions ever return? (Karl Zuk, Feb 13, WORLD OF RADIO 1709, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Hi Karl, I have no info that it's being discontinued, but I know the same thing has happened before, and eventually resumed. I assume it's some major system failure. I guess we still have Gander. 73, (Glenn to Karl, via DXLD)

6604-USB, Feb 14 at 0630, New York Radio takes over from Gander [see

NEWFOUNDLAND], with VOLMET, except: every single airport (``terminal aerodrome``) is ``missing`` and the automation repeats this fact over and over about: Chicago, Milwaukee, and another; then moves on to Detroit and Boston ``missing`` over and over.

I was checking NYR following an inquiry from Karl Zuk, NY, who was wondering if this service is being discontinued. I told him the same thing has happened before and eventually resumed, presumably a major systems failure.

Still in ``missing`` mode on 10051-USB, Feb 14 at 1401 check: Cleveland, Cincinnati, Indianapolis, Pittsburgh, Detroit.

And on 13270-USB, Feb 14 at 1506 with very poor signal: ``missing`` are Bangor, Windsor Locks, Norfolk, Charlotte!

Is anyone ever hearing NYR on 2000-USB any more? (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

I have not heard 2000-AM Since mid-August. Tonite at 21 EST (02UT) 6604 was on-air weakly, with reports, so active, and 3485 was absent at my location in S. Central CT. No 2000 kHz heard. Recent Nor-Easters may have caused problems (Paul S. in CT FN31nl, 0243 UT Feb 16, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

IIRC 2000 was also on USB, thus evading the 160m hamband (gh, DXLD)

[and non]. 13270-USB, Feb 14 at 2119, WSY70, New York Radio is still spinning its wheels with all flight weather ``missing``, from: Atlanta, Bermuda, Miami, Nassau, Orlando, over and over. ``This is New York Radio, out``. I'll say!

Without missing a beat, at 2120, ``This is Gander Radio, time 2120Z``, and on to real weather starting with Montreal.

Glenn asks: ``Is anyone ever hearing NYR on 2000-USB any more? ``

Ken Zichi, MI, replies: ``Not since July here. They are back on 3485 as of August 2013 by my monitoring. Don't know if that was a 'whoops' (it was a rather long whoops if it was!) or if they were trying something different, but they appear to be back to the scheduled frequency.``

However, 2000 was not a direct substitute for 3485, as I heard them both a number of simlultimes such as in DXLD 13-10 and 13-16.

10051-USB, Feb 16 at 1413, New York Radio is still ``missing`` all airport weather data, right now repeating as such over and over, ``New

York Kennedy, Newark, Boston, Baltimore, Washington Dulles``. Also a few minutes later, another set on 13270-USB. This situation is now at least in its third day.

13270-USB, Feb 16 at 2116, ``Atlanta missing, Bermuda missing, Miami missing, Nassau missing, Orlando missing`` and all repeating and repeating; quite weak signal.

6604-USB, WSY70 {the listed callsign is \*never\* announced}, New York Radio, Feb 17 at 0631 check, all airports are still ``missing``: Minneapolis, Detroit, Boston, [illegible], Milwaukee``.

13270-USB, New York Radio, Feb 17 at 1436, missing are: Pittsburgh, Atlantic City, Indianapolis, St. Louis.

13270-USB, Feb 18 at 0110, New York Radio ID and timecheck, terminal aerodrome conditions: still missing, starting with New York-Kennedy.

Will they finally get this fixed after the federal holiday on Tuesday? Did countless flights complain about this, or is nobody listening but us?

13270-USB, Feb 18 at 1412, NY Radio is JBA, but enough to make out ``Washington-Dulles: missing``. It doesn't take much signal to detect the repetitive ``missing`` cadences. So this outage is now at least in its fifth consecutive day. Blame the snowy weather? Hardly any excuse for international flight weather info which is surely collected at all major airports, just can't make it onto WSY70 due to extreme overreliance on/inattention to, automation (Glenn Hauser, OK, WORLD OF RADIO 1709, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Tuning into NY Volmet on 6604 at 0215 UTC, and everything is "missing." Terminal forecasts and observations for all stations are "missing." The automated voice diligently fills up each five minute block repeating the list of stations with "missing." "Miami missing. Nassau missing. Orlando missing. Atlanta missing. Bermuda missing. Miami missing. Nassau missing. Orlando missing..." mc (Mike Cooper, Atlanta GA, UT Feb 19, WORLD OF RADIO 1709, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

6604-USB, Feb 19 at 0631, New York Radio, for the seventh day, is \*still\* SNAFU, with Chicago O'Hare, Milwaukee, Minneapolis, Detroit, Boston flight weather all ``missing``. However, by 1434 Feb 20, WSY70, JBA on 6604-USB, is finally back in business with real weather for the usual airports --- after more than a week of ``missings``. Would dearly love to know what caused this and why no one fixed it immediately (Glenn Hauser, OK, WORLD OF RADIO 1709, DX LISTENING DIGEST) Finally revived on Feb 20 (gh)

**\*\* U S A. AGENCY TRIES TO IMPROVE ITS LOW EMPLOYEE MORALE**  
The Federal Diary Joe Davidson

When it comes to employee morale in federal agencies, the Broadcasting Board of Governors has long lived among the dregs. It is still there, but the BBG is trying hard to move to a better neighborhood.  
[http://www.washingtonpost.com/politics/federal\\_government/agency-tries-to-improve-its-low-employee-morale/2014/02/18/8d697ea6-98c0-11e3-80ac-63a8ba7f7942\\_story.html](http://www.washingtonpost.com/politics/federal_government/agency-tries-to-improve-its-low-employee-morale/2014/02/18/8d697ea6-98c0-11e3-80ac-63a8ba7f7942_story.html)

Joe Davidson writes the Federal Diary, a column about the federal workplace that celebrated its 80th birthday in November 2012. Davidson previously was an assistant city editor at The Washington Post and a Washington and foreign correspondent with The Wall Street Journal, where he covered federal agencies and political campaigns.

This isn't a success story, at least not yet. This is a story about a federal agency that recognizes it can't continue to live near or at the bottom of employee morale surveys. Success might be coming, but a lot of work remains.

The BBG, which oversees the government's international broadcasting operations, is doing that work. Here is some of what is happening:

Agency directors and senior staff hold face-time sessions in the cafeteria for informal talks with employees, a iCivility Campaign addresses labor-management issues, and a Workplace Engagement Initiative takes a deeper dive into the agency's low morale ratings.

Some of the morale-boosting events are meant to be fun, such as the raffle during the fitness-center open house, a chocolate bake-off in time for Valentine's Day, and after-work gatherings or a bingo night, happy hour, checkers and chess.

It is going to take all that and some sustained work to improve the agency's failing report cards.

In all nine categories rated in the 2013 Federal Employee Viewpoint Survey (FEVS), conducted by the Office of Personnel Management, the BBG was lower than the government-wide average and ranked at or very near the bottom in many. The good news is such as it is : The BBG was almost average in the job-satisfaction category.

Since 2007, the BBG has been at or near the bottom in the iBest Places to Work in the Federal Government ratings, issued by the Partnership for Public Service and using FEVS data.

Nonetheless, the agency's workforce has an enormous belief in the mission, said Andr   Mendes, BBG director of global operations.

Management can use that to leverage morale.

A lot of it is about communication and the ability to make people feel that what they are doing is indeed accomplishing the mission they are so in love with," he added. "So the communication between management and employees has to be dramatically improved."

Mendes said the BBG is experiencing massive audience gains and reaches 206 million people weekly through its various platforms, including Voice of America and its online operations.

He is part of a three-person management team that is transitioning the agency from leadership by a board of directors to a chief executive officer. Mendes thinks having a CEO will be a tremendous improvement."

The board of directors setup was a big problem.

In January 2013, Hillary Rodham Clinton, then secretary of state, said our Broadcasting Board of Governors is practically defunct in terms of its capacity to be able to tell a message around the world." The week before that, a report by the State Department inspector general called the board dysfunctional." The BBG's ombudsman slot was vacant from 2006 to 2010, and the agency did not have its own employee assistance program counselor from May 2010 until May 2011.

"Morale at the agency is still abysmal," said Timothy Shamble, president of the American Federation of Government Employees' BBG local. He and Mendes complained about the morale-sapping impact of budget uncertainties in recent years. Employees threatened with layoffs generally were spared, but their spirits were zapped.

The BBG has a lot more work to do," said Max Stier, president and chief executive of the Partnership for Public Service, a nonprofit that studies federal workplace issues. The PPS has worked with the BBG on its Workplace Engagement Initiative.

The PPS was paid about \$84,000 for a series of workshops and other activities that helped the agency to develop a methodology that we lacked previously" for improving employee engagement, said Ina Katherine Buckley, one of the BBG's engagement initiative coordinators.

Barbara Brady, another coordinator, said, "We're still very early on in this process," which could take three to five years to complete.

The survey results are used as a tool to identify problems. The workshops, like focus groups with about 15 employees in each of seven

sessions, examined the root causes in problem areas.

Leadership was a key area in every session, said the PPS's Mark Doboga. The PPS trained BBG employees in action planning so they can continue the work of morale improvement.

This agency is not about bad news anymore, Mendes said. This agency is about good news. Time will tell (via David Cole, OK; Mike Cooper, GA, DXLD)

\*\* U S A [non]. Frequency change of Radio Liberty in Russian from February 15:  
1900-2000 NF 5905 LAM 100 kW / 055 deg to EaEu, ex 6170\* // 7255 LAM, 7460 IRA \* to avoid Voice of Korea in Russian  
<http://swldxbulgaria.blogspot.com/2014/02/dx-re-mix-news-838.html>  
-- 73! Ivo Ivanov, QTH: Sofia, Bulgaria  
Equipment: Sony ICF-2001D 30 m. long wire  
Web: <http://swldxbulgaria.blogspot.com/> (DX RE MIX NEWS # 838 from Georgi Bancov and Ivo Ivanov, Feb. 14, 2014, dxldyg via DXLD)

\*\* U S A. 13670, Feb 14 at 2118, carrier with big humbuzz, no doubt Greenville warming up for the 2130 Bambara broadcast, VOA's newest language, while it disses major world languages and their multitudes of speakers, such as Arabic, German, Hindi, Indonesian, Japanese, Spanish, etc., etc. (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

VOA Radiogram, Feb 15-16, will include another simultaneous transmission of text and an image. The image will be in MFSK64 centered on 1000 Hz, and the text in MFSK32 centered on 2000 Hz. And some Chinese characters, transmitted in MFSK32, then in MFSK64L (the long interleave version of MFSK64). Details:  
<http://voaradiogram.net/post/76622374466/voa-radiogram-15-16-feb-2014-text-images-chinese>

Decode with Fldigi from w1hkj.com  
VOA Radiogram transmission schedule  
(all days and times UT)  
Sat 0930-1000 5745 kHz  
Sat 1600-1630 17860 kHz  
Sun 0230-0300 5745 kHz  
Sun 1930-2000 15670 kHz  
All via the Edward R. Murrow transmitting station in North Carolina  
(Kim Elliott, Feb 14, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

This time there was QRM from a wide noise Jammer on 17850 kHz against Oromo Voice Radio. The upper sideband of 17860 kHz VOA, however, was not affected. USB made ??a good job.  
[http://www.rhci-online.de/VoA\\_Radiogram\\_2014-02-15.htm](http://www.rhci-online.de/VoA_Radiogram_2014-02-15.htm)

At the end of the HTML (as usual) a few pictures via Easypal / DRM.  
This time they are antenna related.

Just now on 7375 kHz: No problems with the KBC-Radiogram in MFSK64,  
only the small picture looked a little shaggy. ;-) (roger. Germany,  
ibid.) See also NETHERLANDS [non]

[non]. 12150, VOA, 16/02 1335 UT. Vía Ban Dung, Tailandia. Servicio en  
idioma inglés con canciones de The Beatles interpretadas en ritmo de  
jazz. SINPO: 44454 // Vía Tinang, Filipinas en 11750, SINPO: 33333.  
Ambas con ruido blanco y jammer de burbujas (Claudio Galaz, Rx: Tecsun  
PL-660, Antena: Hilo largo de 5 metros, QTH: Barraza Bajo, Comuna de  
Ovalle, IV Región, Chile, condiglista yg via DXLD)

So the ChiCom even jam ``Jazz America`` (gh, DXLD)

\*\* U S A. WORLD OF RADIO 1708 monitoring: confirmed first airing, UT  
Thursday Feb 13 at 0430 on WWRB 9955, fair signal; and second airing,  
Thursday Feb 13 at 1330:05 also WWRB 9955, generally atop pulse  
jamming, both following WWRB IDs by gh; and played to completion,  
followed at 1359:05 by `Scoreboard`. Other transmitter NWward carrier  
overrode for a while at 1356, and back on at 1358 boosting the  
propagation outlook. Next:

Thu 2201 on WTTW 9475  
UT Fri 0426v on WWRB 3195  
Sat 0730 & 1530 on HLR 7265-CUSB  
UT Sun 0030 on WWRB 9495  
UT Sun 0030 on WTTW 5085  
UT Sun 0501 on WTTW 5830  
UT Mon 0400v on Area 51 via WBCQ 5110v-CUSB

WORLD OF RADIO 1708 monitoring: confirmed with excellent signal on  
WTTW-1, 9475, Thursday Feb 13 after 2201; we're in luck this week, as  
the other two WTTW transmitters, 9930 and 12105, are off at this time.  
Next:

UT Friday 0426v on WWRB 3195  
Saturday 0730 & 1530 on Hamburger Lokalradio 7265-CUSB  
UT Sunday 0030 on WWRB 9495  
UT Sunday 0030 on WTTW 5085  
UT Sunday 0501 on WTTW 5830  
UT Monday 0400v on Area 51 via WBCQ 5110v-CUSB; usw. Full sked:  
<http://www.worldofradio.com/radioskd.html>

WORLD OF RADIO 1708 monitoring: confirmed on WWRB, 3195: UT Friday Feb  
14, previous preacher stops at 0426:10, then some hum and dead air; no

announcement until 0427:05 WOR starts. Next:  
Saturday 0730 & 1530 on Hamburger Lokalradio 7265-CUSB  
UT Sunday 0030 on WRMI 9495  
UT Sunday 0030 on WTWW 5085  
UT Sunday 0501 on WTWW 5830  
UT Monday 0400v on Area 51 via WBCQ 5110v-CUSB  
Tuesday 1200 on WRMI 9955  
Wednesday 0730 & 1530 on Hamburger Lokalradio 7265-CUSB  
Wednesday 1400 on WRMI 9955

WORLD OF RADIO 1708 monitoring: confirmed on WTWW-2, 5085, UT Sunday Feb 16 from about 0029. At same time on WRMI-14, 9495, but not checked until 0057 when I mentioned KRFP, so it must have been last week's 1707. Surprised this happened, as I thought WRMI only had the latest show on file ready to air. By then, jamming bleed from 9490 is ramping up.

Jeff White explains, ``Items played on 7730 and 9495 are not necessarily the same as on 9955. They come from a different audio source which is manually updated irregularly at this point. Those sources can't play files from the FTP server. Jeff``

Next: UT Sunday 0501 on WTWW-1 5830; UT Monday 0400v on Area 51 via WBCQ 5110v-CUSB.

WORLD OF RADIO 1708 monitoring: confirmed on Area 51 webcast, starting about 0401 UT Monday Feb 17; and also a few minutes later at 0408 check, good signal on WBCQ 5110v-CUSB. Next: Tue 1200 & Wed 1400 on WRMI 9955; Wed 0730 & 1530 on HLR 7265-CUSB.

WORLD OF RADIO 1708 monitoring: confirmed final play at 1400 Wednesday Feb 19 on 9955 WRMI, the only one beamed back across North America, following WRMI ID by gh, as usually played just before WOR; has anyone heard me at any other times?

WORLD OF RADIO 1709 monitoring: ready just in time for first airing UT Thursday Feb 20 at 0430, confirmed on WRMI 9955 aimed SSE. Sufficient signal at first, later fading vs the jamming; tnx a lot, Arnie!

Also confirmed second play Thu Feb 20 from 1330 on 9955 to the SSE, until 1357.5 after open carrier override, modulation switch to the NW antenna for the final sesquiminute. Next:

Thursday 2201 on WTWW 9475  
UT Friday 0426v on WWRB 3195  
Saturday 0730 & 1530 on Hamburger Lokalradio 7265-CUSB  
UT Sunday 0030 on WRMI 9495 [tho last week played previous show]  
UT Sunday 0030 on WTWW 5085

UT Sunday 0501 on WTTW 5830  
UT Monday 0400 on Area 51 via WBCQ 5110v-CUSB  
Tuesday 1200 on WRMI 9955  
Wednesday 0730 & 1530 on Hamburger Lokalradio 7265-CUSB  
Wednesday 1400 on WRMI 9955  
(Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

\*\* U S A. 13695, WRMI, 13/02 0101 UT. Música en castellano y portugués hasta las 0109 cuando queda la portadora abierta --- ¿problemas con el audio? Y algunos sonidos de reinicio de MS-WINDOWS con SINPO: 55444. No hay transmisión de BS hasta las 0113 (Claudio Galaz, Rx: Tecsun PL-660, Antena: Hilo largo de 5 metros, QTH: Barraza Bajo, Comuna de Ovalle, IV Región, Chile, condiglista yg via DXLD)

9955, Feb 13 after 2200, checking what WRMI is doing on main channel: not BS but some other gospel huxter in English; after 2300: 'Wavescan' with Ray Robinson presenting an item. At 2355, Brazuguese, I think religious, as don't recognize it as a DX program. By now jamming is ramping up in preparation for the Radio Libertad hour. It starts off after 0000 UT Feb 14 somewhat audible despite the jamming.

This is contrary to the just updated 9955 programming grid as of Feb 9 [https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/ccc?key=0AivhtkIEGb3\\_dENObnZrMkt1YmtUWGxkbkd3TGNzOXc&hl=en#gid=0](https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/ccc?key=0AivhtkIEGb3_dENObnZrMkt1YmtUWGxkbkd3TGNzOXc&hl=en#gid=0) which shows Overcomer on 9955 until 2400 UT Mon-Fri! With other programming at 22-24 only on Sat & Sun.

Next I check the bonus frequency 9495, weaker but in the clear: UT Thursday Feb 14 at 0000, it's 'Frecuencia al Día', which host Dino Bloise says has just marked its seventh anniversary; enhorabuena. Usually concludes with a DX report from Ernesto Paulero in Argentina playing several clips of his captations, including today, Zanzibar. 0029, Rudy Espinal WRMI ID in Spanish; 0030 'Historias de Radio' about Jujuy province.

7730, Fri Feb 14 at 2114, very poor signal as usual from WRMI toward Europe, but enough to tell it's on in Spanish and exhortative, so could be clandestine program, tho unneeded on that continent. Sure wish WRMI would put up program schedules for frequencies additional to 9955.

9955, UT Sunday Feb 16 at 0132, WRMI with 'Viva Miami', this week in English as Jeff White acknowledges more reception reports, starting with Andy Robins, Kalamazoo MI, who is news director of public radio WMUK 102.1 (say, how about a WMUK relay??? American shortwave is in desperate, dire need of rational programming); Ross Comeau in MA; more from Samara, Osaka. Good jamming-free signal at the moment.

9495, UT Tue Feb 18 at 0057, WRMI extra frequency is playing ``My Way`` by Sinatra; not sure what program that could be, lacking a schedule for any but 9955 (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

\*\* U S A. 5085 & 5830, Feb 13 at 1308, WTWW-2 and WTWW-1 are both off. At 1432, 9930 WTWW-2 is still off, but 9475 WTWW-1 and 12105 WTWW-3 are both on now. Wonder if only two functional transmitters are being moved around to five different frequencies.

5830, Feb 14 at 1346, WTWW-1 is missing (OTH radar pulsing around 5800), but day frequency 9475 is on at 1500 check, as is 9930 with BS, but 12105 Arabible is off.

9475 & 12105, Feb 14 at 2131, two WTWWs are off, leaving one on 9930 with BS (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Again unscheduled shortwave broadcasts of WTWW-3 on Feb. 15:

0745-0815 on 12105 TWW 100 kW / 040 deg to ENAm Yoruba, weak signal

Probably these unscheduled broadcast are on the air 0500-1400 Sat/Sun:

0500-0600 on 12105 TWW 100 kW / 040 deg to ENAm Portuguese

0600-0900 on 12105 TWW 100 kW / 040 deg to ENAm Yoruba

0900-1200 on 12105\*TWW 100 kW / 040 deg to ENAm Chinese

1200-1400 on 12105#TWW 100 kW / 040 deg to ENAm Russian

\* co-ch KTWB Guam in Chinese 1115-1145 Mon-Fri, 1145-1200 Sat

# co-ch Radio Free Asia in Burmese from 1230. More info:

<http://swldxbulgaria.blogspot.com/2014/02/unscheduled-shortwave-broadcasts-of.html>

-- 73! (Ivo Ivanov, Bulgaria, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

9475, Feb 15 at 2048 check, WTWW-1 is off, while the other two are on, 9930 with BS and 12105 with Arabible.

12090-12145, Feb 16 at 1420, approx. range of spurs from 12105 WTWW in Biblical Russian; clearing up by 1425 (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Another unscheduled broadcasts of WTWW-3 on Feb. 18:

0500-0600 on 12105 TWW 100 kW / 040 deg to ENAm Portuguese

0600-0900 on 12105 TWW 100 kW / 040 deg to ENAm Yoruba

0900-1200 on 12105 TWW 100 kW / 040 deg to ENAm Chinese, noted at 0945

1200-1400 on 12105 TWW 100 kW / 040 deg to ENAm Russian

Changes between languages vary from 4 to 7 minutes

<http://swldxbulgaria.blogspot.com/2014/02/another-unscheduled-broadcasts-of-wtww.html>

-- 73! (Ivo Ivanov, QTH: Sofia, Bulgaria, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

12105, Feb 18 at 1353, WTWW-3 is already on in Russian. Considerable CCI making fast SAH from IBB Saipan in Burmese, scheduled 1230-1430. WTWW webcast in Russian nominally starts at 1200, but 12105 normally

does not come on until 1400 if at all. The other two are still on night frequencies before 1400: 5085 and 5830.

Actually, 12105 was apparently on all-night this date, as sometimes happens, per monitoring by Ivo Ivanov in Bulgaria: 05-06 Portuguese, 06-09 Yoruba, 09-12 Chinese, 12-14 Russian. HFCC shows KTWR also in Chinese on 12105 at 1115-1200!

George McClintock explained to me early UT Feb 18 that the outages on #2 transmitter were mostly caused by the extremely cold weather, and the water-cooling system freezing up. Driver on #1 gave out after almost three years, and has been replaced. Both those are water-cooled Continentals. Should be fewer interruptions now (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

\*\* U S A. Updated winter B-13 schedule of WBCQ The Planet:

0000-2400 9330 BCQ 050 kW / 245 ENAm English CUSB  
0000-0500 5110vBCQ 050 kW / 245 ENAm English CUSB Sun/Mon (or Daily?)  
0000-0100 7490 BCQ 050 kW / 245 ENAm English Mon-Sat  
0000-0200 7490 BCQ 050 kW / 245 ENAm English Sun  
0100-0400 7490 BCQ 050 kW / 245 ENAm English Mon-Sat Brother Stair  
0400-0500 7490 BCQ 050 kW / 245 ENAm English Mon-Sat  
1500-1800 15420 BCQ 050 kW / 245 ENAm English CUSB Sat Brother Stair  
1800-2200 15420 BCQ 050 kW / 245 ENAm English CUSB  
2000-2100 7490 BCQ 050 kW / 245 ENAm English Tue  
2100-2200 7490 BCQ 050 kW / 245 ENAm English Mon-Fri  
2200-2230 7490 BCQ 050 kW / 245 ENAm English Sun/Mon/Fri  
2200-2230 7490 BCQ 050 kW / 245 ENAm Spanish Tue-Thu  
2230-2400 7490 BCQ 050 kW / 245 ENAm English Sun-Fri  
5110v=5109.75 (DX RE MIX NEWS # 838 from Georgi Bancov and Ivo Ivanov, Feb. 14, 2014, dxldyg via DXLD)

HFCC shows CIRAF targets for all four 'BCQ frequencies are 3-5 and 9-11, i.e. surrounding USA which are 6-7-8, but instead central and eastern Canada, even Greenland! (5), Mexico, Central America and Caribbean. 245 degrees heads for Laredo TX, unfortunately having to cross forbidden territory of Eastern N America (Glenn Hauser, DX LISTENING DIGST)

Updated winter B-13 schedule of WBCQ The Planet:

0000-2400 on 9330 BCQ 050 kW / 245 deg to ENAm English CUSB  
0000-0500 on 5110vBCQ 050 kW / 245 deg to ENAm English CUSB Sun/Mon  
0000-0100 on 7490 BCQ 050 kW / 245 deg to ENAm English Mon-Sat  
0000-0200 on 7490 BCQ 050 kW / 245 deg to ENAm English Sun  
0100-0400 on 7490 BCQ 050 kW / 245 deg to ENAm English Mon-Sat Stair  
0400-0500 on 7490 BCQ 050 kW / 245 deg to ENAm English Mon-Sat  
1500-1800 on 15420 BCQ 050 kW / 245 deg to ENAm English CUSB Sat Stair  
1800-2200 on 15420 BCQ 050 kW / 245 deg to ENAm English CUSB

2000-2100 on 7490 BCQ 050 kW / 245 deg to ENAm English Tue  
2100-2200 on 7490 BCQ 050 kW / 245 deg to ENAm English Mon-Fri  
2200-2230 on 7490 BCQ 050 kW / 245 deg to ENAm English Sun/Mon/Fri  
2200-2230 on 7490 BCQ 050 kW / 245 deg to ENAm Spanish Tue-Thu  
2230-2400 on 7490 BCQ 050 kW / 245 deg to ENAm English Sun-Fri  
5110v=5109.75  
<http://swldxbulgaria.blogspot.com/2014/02/updated-winter-b-13-schedule-of-wbcq.html>  
-- 73! (Ivo Ivanov, QTH: Sofia, Bulgaria, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

But heard this Friday on 5110v at 0230 (Jean-Michel Aubier, France, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

This is contrary to just updated 5110 programming grid as of Feb. 12:  
<http://schedule.wbcq.com/main.php?fn=sked&freq=5110>  
(Ivo Ivanov, ibid.)

5110, WBCQ, The Planet, Monticello, Maine, 0100-0145, The Plastic-Magic show with Phil playing acid-rock music and some other tunes as well. Asked for comments on plasticmagic883 @ yahoo.com and replied on the air to my email. Will send QSL-card, he said. Nice show! 35443 (Michael Meyer, Hillerød, Denmark, DSWCI DX Window Feb 19 via DXLD)  
Day/date? Scheduled some UT Mondays at 01-03, Area 51 (gh)

\*\* U S A. 9370, Feb 13 at 1433 check, WWRB is back in whack after going bonkers yesterday with humbuzz and spurs, so Brother Scare is clear again and only on the proper frequency. Back to the spurs in the area from China, q.v. (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

\*\* U S A. 13570, Feb 15 at 2054, ``0, Little Town of Bethlehem`` sounds OK in AM, but switching on the BFO, find the WINB carrier extremely wobbly. The only other frequency, but certainly the same transmitter, 9265, is stable when checked at 0121 February 16. This could be the reason they are abandoning 13570 come March 1 (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Updated winter B-13 schedule of WINB:

0000-0300 9265 INB 050 kW / 242 deg CeAm English Daily  
0300-0330 9265 INB 050 kW / 242 deg CeAm English Sat-Thu, ex -0430  
1215-1300 9265 INB 050 kW / 242 deg CeAm English Sun  
1300-1500 13570 INB 050 kW / 242 deg CeAm English Sun  
1500-1715 13570 INB 050 kW / 242 deg CeAm English Sat/Sun, ex -1545  
1715-2145 13570 INB 050 kW / 242 deg CeAm English Daily, ex 1545-  
2145-2200 13570 INB 050 kW / 242 deg CeAm Eng/Spa Mon-Fri  
2145-2200 13570 INB 050 kW / 242 deg CeAm English Sat/Sun  
2200-2330 9265 INB 050 kW / 242 deg CeAm English Daily  
2330-2400 9265 INB 050 kW / 242 deg CeAm English Tue-Sun  
2330-2400 9265 INB 050 kW / 242 deg CeAm Spanish Mon

Note: From March 1, 2014 WINB will broadcast the entire schedule on 9265 (DX RE MIX NEWS # 838 from Georgi Bancov and Ivo Ivanov, Feb. 14, 2014, dxldyg via DXLD)

Central America? HFCC official CIRAF targets on 13570 are 10, 11, 27, 28, 37, 46, and on 9265, only 10 and 11. I.e. Mexico, Central America, Caribbean, but also in the wrong direxion, Europe and and West Africa. Exact opposite goes to Bilbao, Andorra, Tunis and Benghazi. The 242 beam is centered on Monterrey NL, which is pretty far from Central America, not to mention the Caribbean; but it so happens, on the way to Monterrey, has to cross forbidden eastern and central US territory; also should spread out well enough to southwestern US (Glenn Hauser, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Updated winter B-13 schedule of WINB:

0000-0300 on 9265 INB 050 kW / 242 deg to CeAm English Daily  
0300-0330 on 9265 INB 050 kW / 242 deg to CeAm English Sat-Thu  
1215-1300 on 9265 INB 050 kW / 242 deg to CeAm English Sun  
1300-1500 on 13570 INB 050 kW / 242 deg to CeAm English Sun  
1500-1715 on 13570 INB 050 kW / 242 deg to CeAm English Sat/Sun  
1715-2145 on 13570 INB 050 kW / 242 deg to CeAm English Daily  
2145-2200 on 13570 INB 050 kW / 242 deg to CeAm English/Spanish M-F  
2145-2200 on 13570 INB 050 kW / 242 deg to CeAm English Sat/Sun  
2200-2330 on 9265 INB 050 kW / 242 deg to CeAm English Daily  
2330-2400 on 9265 INB 050 kW / 242 deg to CeAm English Tue-Sun  
2330-2400 on 9265 INB 050 kW / 242 deg to CeAm Spanish Mon

Note: From March 1, 2014 WINB will broadcast entire schedule on 9265

Full shortwave schedule of US Private Religious Stations found here:  
<http://swldxbulgaria.blogspot.com/2014/02/b-13-schedule-of-us-private-religious.html>

-- 73! (Ivo Ivanov, QTH: Sofia, Bulgaria, Feb 13, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

That still mis-shows `Angel 5` as WHRI rather than T8WH! (gh, DXLD)

\*\* U S A. 4840, 0530, WWCR with English religious programming and //  
5935 kHz Feb 4; 5935, 0530, WWCR, English and // 4840 kHz Feb 4

GUEST CONTRIBUTOR: DXING ON THE QUEEN MARY II With Rob Shepherd

Long time Australian DXer from Toowoomba, Queensland, Robert Shepherd, has been DXing in style! With his wife, Rob has been traveling through Southern Africa including Zimbabwe (Victoria Falls), North Eastern Botswana, Zambia and South Africa). Once in Cape Town, they boarded the famous and luxurious Queen Mary II for the long trip back to Queensland, via Durban, Mauritius, Fremantle, Melbourne and Sydney.

With him, Rob has been carrying the DEGEN 1121 receiver and using the

inbuilt whip antenna. His logs were made while in Africa and onboard the QM2.

<http://medxr.blogspot.com.au/2014/02/guest-contributor-dxing-on-queen-mary-ii.html#/2014/02/guest-contributor-dxing-on-queen-mary-ii.html>  
(Rob Wagner, ARDXC via DXLD)

?? That was a Tuesday. These are never supposed to be // -- 4840 with Info Wars, 5935 with University Network. Mixup, or does DGS sound too much like Alex Jones, shudder? Apparently with only one receiver he can't check for true synchrony. Jones' monomania is political, while DGS' Biblical, but to determine that, one would axually have to put oneself thru paying attention to them for more than a microsecond (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

\*\* U S A. 9975, UT Monday Feb 17 at 0421, strong signal and sufficient modulation with a bit of reverb from KVOH, outro Earl Hines piece, from the swing era, on 'The Swingin' Years', which to host Pat Conrad somehow implies evangelization at every break, quoting now Isaiah XII:2, and Philippians IV:4. This transmission is UT Sun & Mon only at 03-05 (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

\*\* U S A [and non]. 7555, Feb 19 at 0633, WEWN must be off, no signal detectable. And shux, 6075 Vatican mass is weakening as the See sun rises earlier and earlier.

Unusual propagation lately, ``long skip`` attenuating most USA signals, while trans-oceanic ones are better, depending on how far north the path may run:

7490, Feb 19 at 0635, BS on WHRI with heavy flutter; but also on 7390 RFI; while 7345 Romania and 7325 Ascension are not affected (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

\*\* U S A. 21441-AM, Feb 16 at 2120, the rare hAMs on 15m really stand out, especially with the unmistakable voice of the WBCQ's TimTron, Tim Smith, WA1HLR, so I don't even need to wait for an ID. He's discussing SWR (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

\*\* U S A. 670, Feb 15 at 1956 UT, ad for Hyatt Regency O'Hare, i.e. WSCR, instead of usual daytime groundwave occupant, KLTT Denver. 720 has not enough signal to read WGN, but a SAH between two very weak ones (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

\*\* U S A. 750, Feb 14 at 1323 UT, NAB ``local radio`` PSA, then promo for Dave Ramsey (who is anything but local) ``at 2:05 on KBNN, The Talk of Laclede County``; 1325 UT medley of songbits from Billy Joel, Olivia Newton-John, Ray Charles, presumably making some point or interluding in another talk show, as someone was also speaking the

lyrix. Seems I haven't heard this one before, except in DXLD 12-12 had a possible log of this Lebanon MO, 5 kW ND daytimer. Official sunrise in Feb is 1300 UT; March, 1230 UT. It also has a 500-watt PSRA every month except when unneeded in May/June/July, i.e. starting at 6 am local CST/CDT. Another obstacle to ever hearing KSEO in Durant OK (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

\*\* U S A. Glenn: -- What is it about WGY/810 that attracts signal-destructive cheaters? WQIZ/810 heard tearing WGY to bits, replete with "legal" ID, Feb 17 at 0958, via remote receiver in North Georgia; was noted with "Global Catholic" programming from EWTN. (This follows recent remote-reception of WYRE/810 in Maryland.) Five minutes later, channel was an entertaining mix of WGY's Fox "News" & WQIZ's Catholic chanting. At this rate, 810 will soon sound like a stunt-double for 1230 in Eastern USA. 73z -- GREG HARDISON, CA, DX LISTENING DIGEST

WGY Schenectady would be exotica here in OK --- don't think I've ever heard it; tho it's one of those few I-A stations, 50 kW non-direxional day and night which theoretically everyone else must protect (Glenn Hauser, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Listening Opportunity On 810 kHz --- Daytime only station, 5,000 watt WQIZ, Saint George, South Carolina is on the air tonight at 810 AM with Catholic Radio programming. Identified by TOH ID at 4:00 A.M. EST [0900 UT]. The programming I heard, "Catholic Answers" is from Friday, with many references to Valentine's Day. Here is a rare opportunity to snag this daytime only station from South Carolina. I am only 30 miles away and am receiving a steady groundwave signal with modest co-channel interference (Bob Smoak, Bamberg, S. C., 0912 UT Feb 17, ABDX via DXLD)

I cannot express what I really feel about the Sine Systems remote control, such as the one I have at WQIZ, on a public forum. What I can say it is is a Horrible Design. If the Power goes off for longer than the Uninterruptible Power Supply battery lasts, when the Power does come back on, it loses Memory of the Time and Date and turns the transmitter on at Daytime Power. Since WQIZ is located out in the Boonies and is the very last thing on that Power Line, the Power goes out fairly often. So when the Power goes off at "Zero Dark : Thirty" and comes back on, Daytimer WQIZ lights up in the middle of the Night. The same happens at WCKI, but thankfully the power there is much more reliable. The Burk remote I have at WLTQ never does this. Needless to say, future stations I have a say in will get Burk remotes. 73, (Kevin Raper, KJ4HYD, CE WCKI WQIZ WLTQ,

[tagline] There is no limitation to the fidelity of AM radio. From a mathematical standpoint, AM does better in frequency response than FM.  
- Leonard Kahn --- ABDX via DXLD)

The FCC is so careful at "Type Accepting" equipment to be used in radio stations. For the life of me, I can't figure out why they allow Sine Systems remote controls to get within a mile of a broadcasting station. The one in my town, WVCD, 790 AM, either gets stuck on the day power, 1,000 watts, or the night power, 100 watts. Right now it is stuck on day power and has been for many months. There must have been no complaints to the commission for the condition to have remained as it has for so long. Be that as it may, WQIZ is still transmitting at 7:20 P. M. EST, better than an hour after sunset (Bob Smoak, Bamberg, S. C., *ibid.*)

That would explain why WEBC 560 Would be on night pattern during the day (Todd Skaine, Woodbury, MN, 2010 or car radio, *ibid.*)

I wonder if that's what has happened with my backyard local WAZS-980. They've been running day power for months 24/7. I filed a FCC complaint in mid December. A lot of good that has done (Rob K, Summerville SC, *ibid.*)

Glenn: -- Very very interesting! I certainly buy Kevin's explanation, knowing the general state of such equipment setups these days; one can only rudely speculate how such gear did indeed receive FCC type acceptance. I have personally worked with Burk remote switching on a satellite uplink, and found it to be highly reliable...against my own prejudices, I might add! We did have a power drop or two, along with some inclement weather on the rooftop setup; the Burk was unfazed. We had a standby Burk on a thousand-plus mile path, with only relatively minor problems encountered. I may be missing something, but it seems to me that a relatively simple algorithm could be attached to the Sine Systems config that would "remember" the most recent parameters --- granted, that would not be a perfect solution, but would at least increase the odds (depending on the length of the related outage), of the station returning to authorised numbers -- up to and including transmitter silence, as in the case of a daytimer. A "clock" built into such an algorithm could come close to making the whole thing fail-safe; perhaps somehow tying that into the WWVB 60 kHz (or a GPS) signal would suffice? Just sayin' (GREG HARDISON, CA, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Kevin, A few simple "fixes" for that Sine System.

Since there is a concern about this design flaw, and having one of these at a client station of mine as well because they rather buy cheap @\$\$ junk rather than follow recommendations and then whine and moan like pissy little spoiled brats when the junk they bought won't work the way they want, I have a battery back up (9 volt battery back up for memory) timer. This timers' main purpose in life is to raise /

lower / change pattern of an AM station that I keep tabs on up here.

The timer is wired so that the remote control still has the ability to raise / lower / change pattern or take the station off if need be. What will not happen is, if the power goes out, the station won't be coming back on the air at the incorrect power or pattern. In your case, if there is a power failure in the middle of the night, you can rest assured that your daytimer doesn't pop on in the middle of the night.

Now. To fix that Sine System of yours after you install the above mentioned timer: simple fix that should cure its problems.

Step one: power down the sine system.

Step two: remove sine system from the rack

Step three: remove top cover from sine system

Step four: place sine system on the floor in a clear area with plenty of lighting.

Step five: use sledge hammer of your choice and smash sine system.

Step six: order new remote control system after telling management that the sine system won't recover from a terrible malfunction.

Step seven, and this is the best one: install new remote control, celebrate with your favorite beverage, sleep soundly at night and then contemplate what else around the station needs a "simple fix."

--- (Bob Carter - KC4QLP - WQJK414

MidAtlantic Engineering Service

Midatlanticengineeringservice.com ABDX via DXLD)

\*\* U S A. 1140, Feb 13 at 1348 UT I have been monitoring for anything in Spanish, with KRMP OKC nulled as much as possible, but it's getting harder with earlier sunrises (today in Enid: 1321 UT). All I hear is another English, with KS00 [Sioux Falls SD] mentioned in passing.

However, Dave Hughes in Kansas City MO has kept checking 1140 and reported Feb 11:

`Hi Glenn, I tried 1140 on Saturday morning [Feb 8] (after oversleeping) and heard at 1429 UT "Neon Jazz with Al DeMeo" (I will be listening to that show again: great tunes). I am finding it difficult to check at 1400 UT due to job responsibilities.

This morning I checked from home at 1245 UT and found S9+10 ranchera

music. At work 10 minutes later I can hear nothing on 1140.  
Correction, very weak music amidst all the computer, wireless camera  
and other noise. I'll try at 1400 UT if I can. DH`` and --

``I finally heard 1140 at 1400 UT! It was in Spanish until TOH and  
then switched to English (news followed by "the Power Hour"), In  
Spanish I heard commercials for a law firm in KC, Kansas among other  
local things. After hearing it sooo strong from my QTH this morning  
after sunrise I had a feeling it was not a Mexican. I can't find any  
reference to it being in Spanish overnight, though, and it sort of  
seems out of synch with the whole patriot thing (learn English or go  
home). Their website doesn't seem to be there any more but I found a  
live feed on  
<http://tunein.com/radio/KCXL-1140-s32214/>  
DH``

I've checked and rechecked the Univisi n website, but nothing radial  
found about Kansas City: suspect it's quite incomplete, concentrating  
only on more major (or full-time) markets. I think they have a lot  
more affiliates than shown there; furthermore, Univisi n Am rica  
branding seems to apply to a variety of different formats depending on  
the 'needs' of each market. One of these days I may drag myself out of  
bed and get the KCXL webcast going before 1400 UT. Thanks to Dave for  
checking this out (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Two new catches out of MO on same frequency on Monday 2-10.  
1140 KCXL Liberty, MO 5:52 p.m. [CST = 2352 UT] Neon Beat music  
program.  
1140 KPWB Piedmont, MO 6:27 p.m. [CST = 0027 UT Feb 11] "Kickin'  
Country 104.9".

KPWB-AM is a daytimer that was on past sunset, simulcasting its FM  
frequency back on Monday. They do streaming online if you want to  
verify it for yourself (Jim Beer, Houlton WI, Panasonic RF-2200, Feb  
13, MDXC yg via DXLD) Both I have been picking up too (gh, DXLD)

1140 KCXV [sic] MO, Liberty === Took Niel Wolfish, DXing from Toronto,  
and me, Dxing from BR, a while to figure out who is playing adult  
standards an hour or so past our local sunset, to the west, under WRVA  
on 1140.

We came to suspect KXCXV [sic] MO and Niel noticed it // station web  
stream a few times. I noticed it tonight at 1850 EST [2350 UT] and  
nabbed it with two songs and an announcer talking about the music, no  
ID but // web stream (off by about 15 seconds). Time range of 1840-  
1855 EST has been pretty consistent for those in our general area  
wanting to nab it before the station powers down for sunset. Station  
sometimes has talk - yesterday it was a too-weak-to-copy gardening

program. New (Saul Chernos. Burnt River ON, Feb 19, IRCA via DXLD)

Got the call wrong both times, but must be referring to the station above I was pursuing, K C X L, in Spanish before 1400 UT. So their ``format`` is all over the map now (gh, DXLD)

You might try asking on

<http://www.gatewaycityradio.com/messageboard/kcboard.asp>

I've occasionally seen some of the KCXL staff post on there.

(Tim Kridel, IRCA via DXLD)

One point of clarification: the CLs are KCXL. They are a frequent SRS and SSS visitor to this QTH. I notice on Wikipedia's page for KCXL that they've recently upgraded to 4000 watts during the daytime. 73, (Rick Dau, South Omaha, Nebraska, Feb 19, NRC-AM via DXLD)

The current KCXL format is mainly talk radio during the daytime and a mixture of Adult Standards/Nostalgia at night and most of the weekend. Sundays continue to be manned by The JPEG Show Network and brings Contemporary Christian music and sports. Hosted by James and Peggy Peuster, they enter their 9th year of radio ministry (Wikipedia)

And here is their programming page, which still has no hint of Spanish, presumably outdated:

<http://www.kcxl.com/page2.html>

(Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

\*\* U S A. 1250, Feb 19 at 1348 UT, PSAs and ``ESPN San Antonio`` back to `Mike & Mike, Sportscenter`. So it's KZDC, which NRC AM Log shows also IDing as ``The Zone``, like so many other sports stations, alluding to ``end zone``, or what? Must be on 25 kW day power now, with day pattern aiming northwest, but plenty to the NNE {and I bet this means the site is SE of San Antonio as no other reason for such direxionality in daytime} (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

\*\* U S A. 1650 (TIS), WQQY809, Florida Dept. of Transportation, Palmetto. Site: 3 noted very strong on I-75 south of the Sunshine Skyway Bridge's north and south-end approach transmitters, and all are still incorrectly announcing WQQJ297 which is assigned to the two Tampa I-275 transmitters. My theory is the sites were set up by the same contractor, and they simply didn't update the Skyway transmitters audio identification after bringing the Tampa transmitters online a few weeks earlier. Big signal, audible for several miles while heading southbound (Terry L. Krueger, Clearwater FL, Florida Low Power Radio Stations: <https://sites.google.com/site/floridadxn/florida-low-power-radio-stations> DX LISTENING DIGEST)

\*\* U S A. 96.1 MHz, FLORIDA, WTMP-FM, "96.1 FM la Mexicana", Dade City. Noted on the car radio mid-morning while driving south on I-75 near the north Sarasota exits briefly with Spanish discussion. Sounded like a Cuban accent, thinking it might be a Sarasota pirate or even tropo from Cuba. But not so. On the return early evening the same day, audible on I-75 from University Dr. up to near the Sunshine Skyway Bridge approach with this slogan often and Mexi-tunes.

Prior to and after fading in/out, WRXK-FM, Bonita Springs (Active Rock format) was dominant. Relatively low power, odd that this geography is open for their signal (Terry L. Krueger, Clearwater FL, Florida Low Power Radio Stations: <https://sites.google.com/site/floridadxn/florida-low-power-radio-stations> DX LISTENING DIGEST) Note: Dade City is nowhere near Dade County (gh)

\*\* U S A. Sports on FM in Chicago --- Greetings, I tuned in to WGN, Chicago, last evening and discovered Pete McMurray has moved to 7-11 PM, formerly on from 10 PM to 2 AM [CST = UT -5]. WGN has launched a sports station at 87.7 FM. I thought occupying that frequency was an oddity, but below is an article about this LP FM, which has been on for a while in Chicago.  
<http://www.chicagotribune.com/business/breaking/chi-wgn-fm-sports-talk-station-the-game-20140217,0,5026506.story>  
The station's site is at <http://thegamechicago.com/>  
73, (John Wesley Smith, KC0HSB, Feb 18, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

[http://articles.chicagotribune.com/2014-02-17/business/chi-wgn-fm-sports-talk-station-the-game-20140217\\_1\\_merlin-media-wiqi-fm-wgn-radio](http://articles.chicagotribune.com/2014-02-17/business/chi-wgn-fm-sports-talk-station-the-game-20140217_1_merlin-media-wiqi-fm-wgn-radio)

WGN LAUNCHING FM SPORTS TALK STATION 'THE GAME'

The Chicago radio sports talk wars will have an FM player come Monday afternoon. That is when WGN Radio will launch iThe Gameî on 87.7 [sic] FM, a new all-sports station aimed at moving the conversation about the Bears, the Bulls and Da Coach to the FM band.

Taking on WSCR-AM 670 (The Score) and WMVP-AM 1000, iThe Gameî will begin at 1:02 p.m. Monday, when the station switches from alternative rock to sports talk. The new station will be affiliated with the NBC Sports Radio network.

While the lineup card may change, Jonathon Brandmeier is set to run the morning show from 6 to 9 a.m. Longtime WGN-AM 720 sports talk host David Kaplan, who agreed to a multiyear deal in December, will shift to the FM station from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m., co-hosting until noon with Chicago Tribune sports columnist David Haugh.

The rest of the day includes Howard Griffith and Alex Quigley from 1

to 3 p.m.; former ESPN 1000 teammates Harry Teinowitz and Spike Manton from 3 to 7 p.m.; Mark Carman from 7 to 10 p.m.; and NBC Sports Radio programming overnight.

Tribune Co.'s WGN-AM 720 announced plans Friday to operate WGWG-LP, technically a low-powered TV station that can be heard at 87.7 FM, through a lease with its owner, Los Angeles-based Venture Technologies Group. It became available after Cumulus Media took over operations last month of WLUP-FM 97.9 and WIQI-FM 101.1 from Merlin Media.

As part of the deal, the alternative rock format airing on 87.7 FM, which was being leased by Merlin, migrated back to its former home on 101.1 FM, along with the heritage WKQX call letters.

The agreement to lease 87.7 FM runs through Sept. 2015, coinciding with a Federal Communications Commission mandate ending all analog low power television service. WGN Radio should have more options by then.

Current FCC cross-ownership rules prohibit owning a newspaper and radio station in the same market. Tribune Co.'s co-ownership of WGN Radio and the Chicago Tribune predates that rule, and the planned spinoff of its newspaper business this year opens the door to future radio acquisitions in Chicago.

Sports talk is the 10th most popular radio format, with a 3.1 percent share of total listening in 2013, according to Nielsen. It also has the highest-educated and highest-income listeners of any format.

CBS Radio's WSCR, which pioneered the format in Chicago in 1992, is the market leader with a 2.4 share in the current Nielsen Audio ratings. ESPN Radio's WMVP has a 1.6 share  
(via Kevin Redding, ABDX via DXLD)

\*\* URUGUAY. Con la baja señal que cabe esperar por el salto de onda, y fuertemente interferida por Radio Exterior de España en la misma frecuencia, aquí está la primera grabación que pude hacer de Radiodifusión Nacional del Uruguay en su frecuencia reactivada de 6125 kHz con tan solo 300 watts. A las 0235 UT.  
[http://youtu.be/6LkiQ7jX\\_4c](http://youtu.be/6LkiQ7jX_4c)

Más adelante en la madrugada, tanto como 0700 UT, la seguía escuchando (esta vez sin otras emisoras en el canal), lo que me hace pensar que esta frecuencia debe estar activa las 24 horas del día.

-- Varios asuntos personales me habían alejado de la radio desde fines de diciembre, pero ayer dejé todo y a todos atrás por una madrugada y me puse bastante al día con el tema (Rodolfo Tizzi, Uruguay, Feb 14, condiglista yg via DXLD)

[non]. 6125, Feb 18 at 0055, sounds like REE has some lite CCI; its own signal is always there but never big at this angle. South American conditions are pretty good with the big het between Bolivia and Brasil around 6135, so could this be R. Uruguay? No! Checking better REE // 9535, the ``CCI`` turns out to be its own music underneath the talk (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

\*\* VANUATU. R. Vanuatu operates currently on shortwave at very low power only on 3945 kHz between 1830-1230. Transmitters repair is planned for March (WRTH National update 11 Feb via WORLD OF RADIO 1709, DXLD)

\*\* VATICAN. Ciao! nell'archivio del gruppo yahoo playdx2003 È stato inserito un articolo con foto della recente visita realizzata da C. Ghibauda alla Radio Vaticana.

Hi! in the archive of playdx2003 yahoo group has been added the report of the visit to Vatican Radio written by C. Ghibauda with some nice photos (via Dario Monferini, playdx yg via DXLD) And now also an attachment to the dxldyg

\*\* VIETNAM. 7284.934, Very tiny modulation of Vietnamese folk singer program noted during VOV's Laotian service via old Hanoi site. Feb 13, at 1410 UT, though carrier is little stronger on S=8 level in Queensland.

9635.747, Vietnamese service, from Son Tay site broadcasting center, noted at 1424 UT Feb 13, powerful fine signal of S=9+15dB, nice modulation and penetrating reader voice (Wolfgang B.schel, Feb 13, wwdxc BC-DX TopNews Febr 14 via DXLD)

VIETNAME, 9635.7, R. Voz do Vietnam, Son Tay, 1111-desvanecimento total 1140, 15/2, texto; 15421. 73 (Carlos GonÁalves, PORTUGAL, radioescutas yg via DXLD)

9840, Voice of Vietnam, 2330 Feb 14, signature tune, English s/on, iThis is the Voice of Vietnam.i, greetings. Very poor, // 12020 slightly better (Harold Sellers, Vernon, British Columbia, Listening in my car, by the lake, with the Eton E1 and Sony AN1 active antenna, Editor of World English Survey and Target Listening, available at <http://www.odxa.on.ca> dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

\*\* VIETNAM [non]. CLANDESTINE, 9930, Que Me via Palau, Feb 14 \*1200-1206, 45444 Vietnamese; 1200 sign on with opening music, Opening announce, Talk (Kouji Hashimoto, JAPAN, RX IC-R75, NRD-525+RD-9830, NRD-515, NRD-345, Satellite 750, DE-1121; ANT 70m Sloper Wire, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

\*\* ZANZIBAR. 6015, 0230, TANZANIA, Zanzibar BC - Dole. 50 kW Fair level with Political address Swahili. 95% sure this is the one and 11735 kHz not heard. Fits the propagation path.

Long time Australian DXer from Toowoomba, Queensland, Robert Shepherd, has been DXing in style! With his wife, Rob has been traveling through Southern Africa including Zimbabwe (Victoria Falls), North Eastern Botswana, Zambia and South Africa). Once in Cape Town, they boarded the famous and luxurious Queen Mary II for the long trip back to Queensland, via Durban, Mauritius, Fremantle, Melbourne and Sydney.

With him, Rob has been carrying the DEGEN 1121 receiver and using the inbuilt whip antenna. His logs were made while in Africa and onboard the QM2.

<http://medxr.blogspot.com.au/2014/02/guest-contributor-dxing-on-queen-mary-ii.html#!/2014/02/guest-contributor-dxing-on-queen-mary-ii.html>

(Rob Wagner, ARDXC via DXLD)

11735, Feb 15, ZBC with nice Ungujan music, fair with flutter, cut off air abruptly at 2059:10\* (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

UNIDENTIFIED. Trans-Atlantic MW carrier search, Feb 18 at 0130-0136 UT after hearing the tell-tale het from 1521 upon 1520 KOKC, surely Saudi. Tuning up the band on DX-398, internal antenna with offset BFO for easy spotting, found these: 774, 783, 873, 882, 1044, 1053, 1152, 1206, 1215, 1422, 1503, 1512, 1521 kHz. This receiver has a few birdies which I always have to ignore, including around 855 and 1476 (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

UNIDENTIFIED. 770, Feb 15 at 1958 UT in KSPI 780 Stillwater OK splash, I am getting the usual remnant signal of KAAM Garland (The Metroplex) TX, which with 10 kW day would be easy were it not for their direxional pattern pushing southwest, mostly null toward here. BUT, there is a second even weaker signal making a SAH of 2.2 Hz. I stick here for possible ID at 2000 UT, but can't make any out.

By power, pattern and ~500 mile distance, 50 kW ND KKOBB Albuquerque might be it, but I've yet to pull anything on daytime groundwave from NM, not even 540. Then there's WEW St Louis, slightly closer, but bad conductivity, only 1 kW ND (but with CP for 10 kW). KJCB Lafayette LA another possibility, slightly further than Albuquerque, 1 kW ND. 5 kW ND KUOM Minneapolis MN might make it too as WCCO has. WVNN Athens AL is 7 kW, but that is not a good ground conductivity direxion, not even from Arkansas (Glenn Hauser, caradio at a quiet parking lot in mid-Enid, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

UNIDENTIFIED. 840, Feb 15 at 2002 UT, two very weak signals making SAH

of about 8 Hz, initially both talk, then one goes to music. KTIC in West Point NE is the closest and usual marginal groundwave signal. What else? Little but WHAS in Louisville KY, except KWDF, 8 kW ND in Ball LA.

I would really like to log any LA station on daytime groundwave. 1130 KWKH Shreveport might make it with 50 kW ND, if it were not for nearby 250 watt KLEY in KS. I never hear any sign of 50 kW KEEL Shreveport on 710, unfavorable direxionality, just KGNC Amarillo or KCMO Kansas City (Glenn Hauser, caradio at a quiet parking lot in mid-Enid, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

UNIDENTIFIED. 870, Feb 15 at 1950 UT, very weak SAH of about 7 Hz countable, main signal surely the closest and regular groundwave, 1 kW KFJZ Fort Worth, Vietnamese; beyond that, possibly WWL New Orleans at some 600 miles, but second closest is 1 kW KAAN in Bethany, northwest MO. The 40 kW power of KPRM Park Rapids MN (application for 50) might also make it (Glenn Hauser, caradio at a quiet parking lot in mid-Enid, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

UNIDENTIFIED/HAWAII (?). [Re 14-07:] 3326-USB via Honolulu(?), 1204-1228 on Feb 18 again heard the NOAA weather forecast and sea conditions; "Intertropical convergence zone monsoon trough, monsoon trough from 1N80W to 6N95W to 5N105W. ITCZ from 5N105W to 6N140W. No significant convection." Many mentions of "Honolulu, Hawaii"; // 4986-USB. Brief audio attached (Ron Howard, San Francisco at Ocean Beach, CA, EtÛn E1, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Feb 19, just received another email from NOAA:

"I spoke with Jeff Lorens - our Western Region Marine Program leader. He said this is probably the broadcast from the US Coast Guard HF Voice - and not originating from the NWS.

This link has more information and a list of the products that are broadcast:

<http://www.nws.noaa.gov/om/marine/hfvprod.htm>

The Coast Guard at Pt. Reyes [CA] and in Honolulu are both broadcast locations. The broadcasts are intended for mariners who are too far offshore to hear coastal NOAA Weather Radio transmitters. Hope this helps, Logan" [Logan Johnson - NOAA Federal <logan.johnson @ noaa.gov>]. Interesting, but does not address the issue of the unusual frequencies (Ron Howard, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

UNIDENTIFIED [non]. RE: DXLD 14-06: "3977.40 on Feb 1, tuned in at 1359 to hear a weak station here with YL talking, but too weak to guess at the language; 1401 EZL music till off at 1402\*. RRI

Pontianak years ago was often heard on about 3976.03v, a rather unique frequency. Today was surprised not to hear the often present KCBS Pyongyang which drifts around this vicinity with terrible audio, but no hint of that today. Needs more monitoring. Due to the off frequency, perhaps a slight chance it was RRI Pontianak?[NO]"

My UNID has been IDed by the expert assistance of Mauno Ritola (Finland), as Echo of Unification (KOREA NORTH) and found // 6250. On Feb 15 at 1319, for the first time I was hearing Korean and patriotic music, but did not know who it was, until Mauno IDed. Continues to drift around wildly; having to constantly re-tune as it quickly goes up and down in frequency. This is above the KCBS blob on about 3973.40, but really hard to tell as it is such a mess, audio wise. Thanks to Mauno for clearing up my mystery for me! (Ron Howard, San Francisco at Ocean Beach, CA, EtÙn E1, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

UNIDENTIFIED. RE: DXLD 14-07: "4755. Signal here at 1133. Very weak and not strong enough for audio. Too late for Brazil. Finally went off at 1159:31. Never did get any audio. (7 Feb.)

4755. Again observed this signal to about 1159:35 sign off. Very very poor conditions today and was only able to "see" the signal. (8 Feb.) 73 (Dave Valko, Dunlo, PA, USA, Perseus SDR, Wellbrook ALA1530S+, and 153i vertical triangular Delta Loop, Hard-Core-DX mailing list via DXLD)

Surely PMA The Cross, MICRONESIA at its typical cutoff time. Dave is being very cautious. But why didn't he measure this to two or three decimal places? Characteristically around 4755.55v which would surely make it even less unidentified (Glenn Hauser, DXLD)"

Glenn - You had no way of knowing, but Dave actually was hearing an UNID on 4755.00, not the Cross. I checked on Feb 10 for Dave and the Cross went off immediately after DTMF tones at 1157:01\* on about 4755.53. Dave's UNID was going off about two minutes after that, so his UNID could not have been a spur from the Cross. Dave has a good screenshot showing the two different frequencies and different sign off times. I was not able to hear anything on 4755.00 after the Cross went off. A mystery! (Ron Howard, San Francisco at Ocean Beach, CA, EtÙn E1, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Very strange: He knew it was on 4755.00 yet reported it merely as 4755! Besides Brasil and Micronesia, what else has been on 4755? Looking back years into the archives, R. Huanta 2000, once varied up to there from 4747; and one of the Indians was thought to be there from 4760, but 1200v\* would be unusual for those. One could also look around for N American signals that sign off at this time, and compute a possible mixing product; not WWCR for starters. Of course, possible

MW harmonic ruled out immediately since it ends in -5 (Glenn Hauser, DXLD)

UNIDENTIFIED. 4834.57, 2350 to 2355 esp00l during band scan 2 February (Robert Wilkner, Pûmpano Beach, South Florida, 746Pro, Drake R8 Modified, Sony 2010XA, wire antennas, DX LISTENING DIGEST) ute?

UNIDENTIFIED. 6135, Feb 14 at 0625 I am again hearing a het, but without measuring, seems a bit lower than the Bolivia/Brasil one I presumably had a few hours earlier. Is there a major broadcaster on 6135 now? Not per Aoki, beyond Madagascar and Yemen (misspelt ``Sanna``), but does show R. Santa Cruz with strange schedule signing \*on at 0500! Aparecida is supposedly off between 0300 & 0800. EiBi agrees on Madagascar and Yemen (however unlikely those may be for such a het source), but shows RSC irregularly on air at 0210-0600, and Aparecida as 24 hours (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

En la madrugada de ayer, Radio Aparecida estuvo constantemente en el aire en 6135 kHz. Por lo considerable de la se0al en mi zona de recepcion, no pude escuchar ninguna otra emisora en la misma frecuencia (Rodolfo Tizzi, Uruguay, Feb 14, condiglista yg via DXLD) Madrugada there = 03-09 UT? See BOLIVIA, BRAZIL

UNIDENTIFIED. 7255-AM, Feb 14 at 2136, poor broadcast signal thought might be Nigeria, in tonal language, per Aoki in Fulfulde this hour; anyhow doesn't sound like Hausa, really more Asian. Aoki also shows both Lhasa in Tibetan, and CNR2 in Chinese from Baoji on 7255 between 2055 and 2300 (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

UNIDENTIFIED. 7455-USB, Feb 14 at 2135, Spanish 2-way, similar to that heard earlier on 12152-USB, which rechecking now is vacant, but probably no relation. And no RTTY QRM as there is on 7455 most of the night (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

UNIDENTIFIED. 9600, 16/2 0919 with classical Arabic songs of 70s `yahabibii, 0920 a tone of 1 kHz, then sign off (Zacharias Liangas, Greece, 19 Feb, DX LISTENING DIGEST) Aoki has nothing but PBS Xinjiang in Chinese (gh)

UNIDENTIFIED. 11980, Feb 14 at 2125, hi-speed RTTY here I haven't noticed before. Maybe by somestation which considers the 25m SWBC band to end at 11975 (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST) Also lot since

UNIDENTIFIED. 12152-USB, Feb 14 at 2121-2125, two-way in colloquial Spanish I have a hard time understanding, vs CODAR. However, mentioning ``faro`` which could be either lighthouse or a radio beacon, and discussing obviously geo co^rdinates several times, ``19-10-79 arriba, y 95-46-04 abajo``. The latter, longitude, was first

spoken as 95-45-04, then corrected. So where's that? Assuming arriba means north (but why would abajo mean west? because it's negative?), in the Gulf of Campeche, which is a sub-gulf of the Gulf of MEXico, not far from Veracruz. Also mentioned ``60 millas`` from somewhere, non-metric. Would those be nautical rather than statute miles? (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

UNIDENTIFIED. 12450, Feb 17 at 1433, very poor fluttery signal with continuous talk, no sounders, not certain if Chinese, but I think it's likely Sound of Hope, always hopping around. Not // CNR1 on 9825, 12045 et al. Figured I would find 12450 in Aoki, or in Wolfgang B,schel's long list of monitored SOH frequencies at an earlier hour in latest DXLD, but no 12450 in either.

Could it be an harmonic of something on 6225? Yes! Aoki reminds us that one of the remaining Democratic Voice of Burma broadcasts is there at this very hour, 1430-1530, 100 kW, 125 degrees via TAJIKISTAN. Doubt I could hear 6225 to compare, but others might. Further chex needed!

12450, Feb 18 at 1425-1432, I am all set to have another try at the weak signal I heard yesterday, suspected Democratic Voice of Burma, 2 x 6225 as scheduled 1430-1530 via Tajikistan --- but, no signal at all today, nor on 6225. Eurasians ought to be able to hear both if this recur (Glenn Hauser, OK, WORLD OF RADIO 1709, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

UNIDENTIFIED. 17705, Feb 18 just as I tune across at 1456\* big open carrier goes off, uncovering weak Saudi Arabia. Suspect it's a tune-up by WHRI which will turn 17705 back on later for Brother Scare disservice (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

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UNSOLICITED TESTIMONIALS

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Take care and glad to see your posts on HCDX regularly. You help a LOT of folks! (Bob Combs, KCA6RC, New Mexico, Feb 13, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Thank you for the excellent reporting regarding the revival of CFRX 6070. Thanks for your help, (Karl Zuk, Feb 13, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Testimonials in the form of contributions are welcome by PayPal, not necessarily in US funds to woradio at yahoo.com or

By check or MO in US funds on a US bank to World of Radio, P O Box 1684, Enid OK 73702

## PUBLICATIONS

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### THE PICTURE OF AMERICA

To see ourselves as others see us, diplomatically.

Feb 17, 2014, Vol. 19, No. 22 i By SAM SCHULMAN

Martha Bayles, one of the great unsung critics of the baby boom generation, has written a book that is unusual for her. This is a brisk, how-policy-has-gone-wrong-and-what-to-do-about-it book, which conceals in its pages something more: a brilliant and courageous meditation on the difficulty of communication between modern and traditional societies. These difficulties, in turn, suggest that the values we regard as universally desirable may not be universal, or even desirable—and we certainly aren't living by them.

The argument is simply told. Public diplomacy is vital to American foreign policy. It wins us friends in the world, explains our ideals to skeptical foreign audiences, and shows that we are serious about those ideals. Ever since the United States entered World War I, we've conducted public diplomacy with varying levels of finesse, funding, and commitment.

Unfortunately, funding and commitment withered away with the passing of the Soviet Union. The Clinton administration, in its first term, proposed cutting the budget for Radio Free Europe. In 1999, the United States Information Agency (USIA) was shuttered altogether by legislation designed by Senator Jesse Helms, Vice President Al Gore, future vice president Joe Biden, and Secretary of State Madeleine Albright. The act distributed the functions of USIA, like fragments of Orpheus' body, among lower-level officials.

Martha Bayles's argument is that defunding public diplomacy in the 1990s didn't halt our image-making activity; it merely privatized it: the entertainment industry [took] over the job of communicating America's policies, ideals, and culture to a distrustful world. But the entertainment industry had changed since the 1940s and 1950s, when it had worked hand-in-hand with Washington to produce an image of America that was noble, heroic, and disinterested.

Communications technology has changed from broadcast to satellite to Internet, and the post-USSR target audience has changed as well. It is located in different countries and has different problems. What's happened in Hollywood is obvious. The creative output of America's movie studios and television producers is of dismal quality: vulgar, sexualized, and violent. When it has a political message, it is usually anti-American; when it doesn't, it is casually cynical about the motives and honesty of people in business, government, science,

and journalism.

The entertainment industry doesn't necessarily intend to broadcast an image of American society that is devoid of culture, faith, and morality, and inhabited by deracinated, materialistic hedonists. But allowing the entertainment business to assume the job of communicating our image to the world has been a disaster for foreign policy...

[more]

[http://www.weeklystandard.com/articles/picture-america\\_778803.html?page=1](http://www.weeklystandard.com/articles/picture-america_778803.html?page=1)  
(via David Cole, OK, DXLD)

Episode 89: GOODBYE, MONITORING TIMES

YouTube 59:01 Aug 5, 2013 - Uploaded by HamRadioNow

Watch the Monitoring Times founder ...

<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ZKSKXEF68ho>

(via Artie Bigley, DXLD)

CONVENTIONS & CONFERENCES

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RESEÑA IV ENCUENTRO DIEXISTA COLOMBO VENEZOLANO

<http://dxdesdecolombia.blogspot.it/>

Por falta de tiempo se me había pasado hacer la reseña sobre el IV encuentro diexista colombo venezolano, en el cual tuve la oportunidad de participar a comienzos de año, evento que se desarrolló en la Ciudad de Barinas, capital del estado del mismo nombre y situada en el gran llano venezolano. En esta oportunidad bajo la organización de los amigos y colegas, Santiago San Gil y Freddy Gamboa además de otros miembros del Club Diexistas de la Amistad, se desarrollaron varias actividades entorno a nuestra afición.

El día sábado 4 de enero en el auditorio de la sede Barinas de PDVSA se realizaron varias exposiciones; en primer lugar Santiago San Gil dió a conocer el proyecto que tiene el Club Diexistas de la Amistad con las QSL's recibidas en donación del colega José Mauricio Rangel Neira de Cúcuta; para lograr su preservación y conservación, para esto se han recibido recomendaciones del CPRV The Committee to Preserve Radio Verifications.

Luego tuve la oportunidad de presentar mi exposición sobre la utilización de la radio en el conflicto armado colombiano, esta tiene como base el artículo publicado en el Passport to World Band Radio por el amigo y colega Henrik Klemetz, la presentación la complementé con varios audios de las emisiones de emisoras clandestinas que han operado en Colombia. Posteriormente el colega Williams López de Barquisimeto hizo su presentación sobre la utilización y aplicación

del SDR de bajo costo RTL-SDR R820T y el Up Converter NooElec. Finalmente el radioaficionado barin s Roberto M rquez present  la aplicaci n Ham Radio Deluxe para controlar los equipos de radio a trav s del computador.

Luego se realiz  la visita a la emisora La Voz de PDVSA 93.1 que opera desde las mismas instalaciones, all  fue posible conocer sobre las labores que desarrolla esta emisora como parte del Sistema Nacional de Medios P blicos de Venezuela. Ah  terminaron las actividades programadas para la ma ana del s bado; luego fue la hora del almuerzo para despu s de las 4 p.m. reunirnos nuevamente para realizar el encuentro social y pr ctica del diexismo. Las actividades desarrolladas giraron en torno a las pruebas de varios equipos y antenas; como actividad importante estuvo la escucha y decodificaci n del saludo enviado por el Dr. Kim Andrew Elliot a trav s del programa VOARadiogram a los participantes del encuentro.

Posteriormente vino la entrega del material recibido de parte de emisoras internacionales, as  como los certificados de asistencia para finalizar con una parrillada llanera. Las actividades desafortunadamente se limitaron al d a s bado por la premura del tiempo de varios de los participantes en regresar a sus lugares de origen por el inicio del a o laboral.

Nuevamente este encuentro binacional sirvi  para estrechar los lazos de amistad y permiti  el intercambio de experiencias entorno al Diexismo. Publicado por Rafael Rodr guez R (via Dario Monferini, Feb 13, playdx yg via DXLD)

#### DETAILED 2014 WINTER SWL FEST PROGRAM PUBLISHED

It can be viewed, downloaded and printed from <http://www.swlfest.com> (Richard Cuff, John Figliozi, 2014 Winter SWL Fest Organizing Committee Co-Chairs, Feb 14, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Here is a list of some radio (especially shortwave and DX) related meetings of this year. I hope this is of interest. Updates and corrections are very welcome to [risto.vahakainu@helsinki.fi](mailto:risto.vahakainu@helsinki.fi)

#### Shortwave Radio Meetings - 2014

Date: February 13

Description: UNESCO World Radio Day

Date: February 22 (1430-1700 BST)

Location: Reading International Solidarity Centre (RISC), 35-39 London Street, Reading RG1 4PS, England

Organization: Reading International Radio Group

Expected attendance: 20

More info: <http://www.bdx.org.uk>

Note: Reading DX meetings are held with about 2 months interval (next one on April 19th)

Date: February 23-24

Event: DX Vårnerna (DX Friends of the Swedish DX Federation), 50th anniversary cruise from Stockholm to Mariehamn and back

More info: <http://www.sdx.se>

Date: March 8

Location: Corn Exchange, Rochester, Kent, UK

Description: Radio Caroline 50th Anniversary Party

More info: <http://www.radiocaroline50.co.uk>

Dates: March 14-15

Location: Plymouth Meeting (near Philadelphia), PA, USA

Description: Winter SWL Fest

More info: <http://www.swlfest.com>

Expected attendance: 150

Date: March 22

Location: Amsterdam, Holland

Description: Radio Day 2014, sea pirate radio event

More info: <http://www.radioday.nl>

Dates: March 23-25

Location: Dublin, Ireland

Description: Radiodays Europe, a conference on radio and its future

More info: <http://www.radiodayseurope.com>

Dates: May 13-19

Location : Hoherodskopf, Germany

Description: DX-Camp

Organization: RMRC

More info: [mail@rmrc.de](mailto:mail@rmrc.de)

Dates: May 15-16

Location: Greenville NC, USA (IBB transmitting station)

Description: Annual NASB Conference

Organization: National Association of Shortwave Broadcasters+DRM Consortium, USA

More info: <http://www.shortwave.org>

Dates: May 16-18

Location: Dayton, Ohio, USA

Organization: Dayton Hamvention

Expected attendance: 20000

More info: <http://www.hamvention.org>

Dates: June 7-8

Location: Norrköping, Sweden

Description: DX-Parlamentet 2014, the annual meeting of the SDXF

Organization: The Swedish DX-Federation (SDXF)

More info: <http://www.sdx.se> dxp2014@ndl-dx.se

Dates: June 14

Location: Skovlunde, Copenhagen, Denmark

Description: Annual General meeting of DSWCI

Organization: Danish Short Wave Club International (DSWCI)

More info: <http://www.dswci.org>

Dates: June 27-29

Location: Friedrichshafen, Germany

Description: Ham Radio, biggest annual hamfest in Europe

Expected attendance: 20000

Dates: July 12-26

Location: Döbriach, Austria

Description: DX-Camp of ADXB-OE

More info: <http://www.dxcamp.org>

Dates: August 1-3

Location: Joensuu area, Eastern Finland

Description: The Annual Summer Meeting

Organization: The Finnish DX Association

Expected attendance: 70

More info: [rv@sdx1.org](mailto:rv@sdx1.org)

August Saturday (exact date to be confirmed)

BDXC Twickenham Summer Meeting

More info: <http://www.bdx.org.uk>

Dates: August 23-24

Location: Tokyo, Japan

Description: Big ham fair with a SW sector (Japan SW Club stand & lectures)

Organization: Tokyo Ham Fair

Expected attendance: 30000

More info: [ohaket@live.jp](mailto:ohaket@live.jp)

Dates: September 19-22

Location: Tende/Nizza (Nice), France

Description: European DX Conference, the annual meeting of EDXC

Organization: European DX Council (EDXC)

Expected attendance: 50

More info: <http://www.edxc.org>

Dates: September 5-10

Location: Berlin, Germany

Name: IFA Internationale Funkausstellung

Description: Consumer Electronics Fair - Including Radios

Dates: September 12-16

Location: Amsterdam, Holland

Description: IBC 2013

More info: <http://www.ibc.org>

Dates: October 13-20

Location: Hoherodskopf, Germany

Description: DX-Camp

Organization: RMRC

More info: [mail@rmrc.de](mailto:mail@rmrc.de)

Date: October 15-19

Location: Holzerbachtal, Solingen-Wald, Germany

Description: DX Camp

Organization: Radiofreunde NRW

More info: [christof.proft@gmail.com](mailto:christof.proft@gmail.com)

Date: November 8

Location: Hannover, Germany

Description: Interradio

More info: <http://www.interradio.info>

Dates: November 8-9

Location: Hyderabad, India

Description: Ham Fest India 2014

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DX-PEDITIONS

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MW AND FM LOGGINGS DURING MY CARIBBEAN CRUISE

On a few occasions on the Norwegian Breakaway Cruise ship, I had the opportunity to listen to my Sangean ATS 909 sitting outside to catch the following nearby stations, sailing from New York Jan 19-31, 2014, to Puerto Rico (Jan 22), U.S. Virgin Islands (Jan 23), St. Maarten (Jan

24), St. Lucia (Jan 25), Barbados (Jan 26), St. Kitts (Jan 27) and back to New York:

#### Anguilla

1610 MW, Caribbean Beacon, The Valley, 2205-2217, Jan 23 and 26, Organ music, English religious talk about the iWill of Godî, phonenumber repeated many times, 55555.

#### Antigua & Barbuda

1160 MW, Caribbean R Lighthouse, St. Johnís, 2155-2205, Jan 26, piano music, English ID, ann, 25322.

#### Barbados

900 MW, Caribbean Broadcasting Corp., St. Michael, 2010-2020, Jan 26, English pop songs // 94.7 FM, ID: iBarbadosës sweetest station has landed, 94.7 FMî, 55555.

89.1(new frequency ?) // 92.1 FM, BBC World Service, via Bridgetown, 1955-2010, Jan 26, report from Caracas, 2005 news from Geneva, Cairo, NSA, Thai problems for fishermen, 55555.

90.7 FM, Barbados Broadcasting Service, St. George, 2020-2030, Jan 26, English pop songs, 55555.

92.9 FM, Voice of Barbados, Bridgetown, 2030-2040, Jan 26, English Rock songs, e.g. iBaby, donít change your mindî, time ann: i4:30 PMî, 55555.

104.1 FM, Love 104.1 FM, Bridgetown, 2050-2100, Jan 26, English pop songs, 55555.

#### Cuba

1180 MW, R Rebelde (34 transmitters!), 2215-2230, Jan 20, Spanish sports report mentioning La Habana, Real Madrid, 2229 ID jingle: iRebelde, La Habana, Emisora de la RevoluciÛnî, 34333.

#### Grenada

540 MW, Grenada Broadcasting Network, St. Georgeís, 1900-1930 and 2210, Jan 26, English gospel songs, e.g. iIn his nameî and iJesus to come, Jesus to goî, 45544.

1400 MW, Harbour Light of the Windwards, Carriacou, 1930-1955, Jan 26, humorous English religious talk to audience in Colorado Springs, USA, about covertness, audience was laughing several times, 1944 ID: iThis is the Harbour Light in Carriacouî, piano music and menís choir, 55555.

#### Guadeloupe

640 MW, Guadeloupe Premiere, Point-a-Pitre, Baie-Mahault, 2145-2155, Jan 26, French discussion between men, 35343.

#### Martinique

92.0 FM, Martinique PremiÈre, Fort de France, 2215-2222, Jan 25,

French talk about the President of Panama, Nicaragua has plans for another canal for supertankers, 55555.

103.0 FM, R Caraôbes International, Fort de France, 2223-2229, Jan 25, French sports news, phone-in mentioning Martinique and Volleyball, 55555.

#### Puerto Rico

680 MW, Cadena WAPA, San Juan, 1242-1255, Jan 24, Spanish talk mentioning San Juan, 25443.

#### Saba \*

93.9 FM, The Voice of Saba, The Bottom, 2340-2355, Jan 24, duet singing pop songs about wine: iWalk on the Boatî, 45444.

#### Saint BarthÉlemy

98.7 FM, R Saint-Barth, St. BarthÉlemy, 2250-2315, Jan 24, French ann, ID, English songs, ID jingle: iRadio Saint-Barthî, 2300 English ID: iThis is Radio Saint-Barthî and French ID: iIci Radio Saint-Barth, il est dix-neuf heuresî, English and French songs e.g. iOne more Nightî, jingles, 45544.

#### Saint Kitts & Nevis

820 MW, R Paradise, Conaree, 2115-2125, Jan 27, English talk about agricultural development, 55555. Active as expected in WRTH 2014!

96.1 FM, R ZIZ, Basseterre, 2125-2140, Jan 27, English advs like iDinner for twoî, Calypso song, iValentine is hereî, ID, request music, 55555 // 95.9. But R ZIZ on 555 MW was inactive. We passed by bus their radiohouse, which still broadcasts on two FM-channels.

96.7 FM, Big Wave, R ZIZ, Basseterre, 2140-2150, Jan 27, instrumental pop music and songs, as iYou know, you want to be lovedî, 55555.

105.3 FM, Choice FM, Charlestown, Nevis, 2150-2200, Jan 27, English pop music, iYou play the musicî, 55555.

106.5 FM, Freedom FM, Basseterre, 2200-2225, Jan 27, English ID, iSave Energy Billî, pop music, news: iHealth care on the Carnevalî, advs, iWhat a Wonderful Worldî, Prime Ministerís speech, 55555.

#### Saint Martin \*

88.9 FM, R Guadeloupe Premiere, Marigot, 1253-1315, Jan 24, French programme iMandéî, rhythmic music and song iCe bestî, advs iAir Franceî, iCarib Mobileî, 1300 news about FranÁois Hollande, Syria Conference in Geneve, 1303 more Caribbean fast rhythmic music, time ann, ann iGuadeloupe formationsî, telephone number, 45444.

#### Saint Lucia

93.5 FM, Caribbean Superstation (CSS), relay from Port-of-Spain, Trinidad, 2145-2215, Jan 25, English song: iThe Wrong canít be Right and the Right canít be Wrongî, ann: iCan You imagine, what You hear right now, is the only broadcast by the Caribbean Superstationî, song:

iI go and drink my Rum, and I am drunk already!î, ann: iCSS makes it possible to hear your advertisements all over the Caribbean!î, 55555. 107.9 FM, Caribbean Harmony, Morne Du Don, Castries, 2125-2145, Jan 25, English, local song: iI will have your love, on conditions of thisî, ID: iYou are listening to Caribbean Harmony, broadcasting from Morne Du Don, St. Luciaî, more love songs, e.g. iGirl, tell me what to doî, 55555.

#### Sint Eustatius \*

92.3 FM, R Statia, Chaple Piece, 2325-2340, Jan 24, English religious mentioning a letter from late Pope Paul, para 79: iThe Sunday law is not secularî, Italian Prime Minister Mario Monti about shops not to be open on Sundays, 45544.

#### Sint Maarten \*

1300 MW, The Voice of St. Maarten, Philipsburg, 2125-2210, Jan 23, English ann, English interview about the consequences of History of St. Maarten, 2135 promo coming programmes, pop song in English, 2137 promo for St. Maarten, 2138 Ambassador's greeting on behalf of His Majesty the King of the Netherlands, 2142 Phone-in with questions to be answered by the King's employee (mostly about relations to French St. Martin), 2200 ID: iThe Voice of St. Maarten PJD2î, jingle, tel. no., 2205 iThe Voice of St. Maarten presents the local and international Newsî, 35343.

#### Venezuela

680 MW, R Continente, Cumana, 2100-2110, Jan 26, Spanish ID: iLa Voz de Liberaci n, Radio Continenteî, ann frequency, Salsa song, 35343. 1020 MW, R Mundial Marguerita, La Asunci n, 2110-2120, Jan 26, Spanish ID, Salsa and Cumbia songs, advs, 25333. 1110 MW, R Venezuela, Carupano, 2120-2145, Jan 26, Spanish ID: iEn Venezuela, Carupano , time ann, Salsa pops, ID, Cumbias from Carnival in Carupano this morning, 2133 ID: iRadio Venezuela , songs, another ID: iRadio Carupano , 35444.

#### Virgin Islands (U.S)

970 MW, WSTX, Christiansted, St. Croix, 1130-1148, Jan 23, Calypso music, ID: iWSTX serving the Virgin for 10 yearsî, adv, iMerengue  song, 55555. 1000 MW, WVWI, Charlotte Amalia, St. Thomas, 1150-1155, Jan 23, English adv: iAir Travel Co. Lottery , iUnited Air Corp. , website, ID, 55555. 1090 MW, WUVI, J. Brewers Bay, St. Thomas, 1135-1143, Jan 23, pop song, English ann, cold in Florida, advs, 55555. 1340 MW, WSTA, Charlotte Amalia, St. Thomas, 1144-1145, Jan 23, English talk, ABC sports, 55555.

\*= New Radio Countries according to WRTH 2014. According to the

outdated List of European DX Council Radio Countries from year 2000, they formerly belonged to Netherlands Windward Antilles and St. BarthÉlemy. Saint Martin became independent in 2007 and the islands of the former Netherlands Antilles on Oct 10, 2010. By this, I have now heard broadcast stations in 239 radio countries and have 217 verified so far (Anker Petersen, DSWCI [sic] DX Window Feb 19 via DXLD)

Including travel logs, obviously; how many from Denmark? (gh, DXLD)

WORLD OF HOROLOGY

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TIME STATIONS NOT QSL?

Glenn, Long time no communicate with you. I have been out of the listening game for a while (work), and decided to get back into the "pure" end of the game (shortwave broadcast stations). I purchased a new WRTH after many years, and noted that the time standard stations no longer indicate they issue QSL cards for correct reports. Is this true? Bummer if the answer is yes, I will try anyway. I see a few new ones listed, but a lot of oldies but goodies are gone. Things change, but I will keep on trying. Thanks for your help on this (Bob Combs, KCA6RC, New Mexico, Feb 13, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Hi Bob, Nice to hear from you and tnx for the kind words. Sorry for the delay, as my E-mail load is pretty heavy. While I don't actively pursue QSLs any more, my impression is that many of these stations do QSL as others have reported. I think the WRTH, particularly in the STFT pages, just isn't bothering to cover this subject. 73, (Glenn to Bob, via DXLD)

WORLD OF POSTALIA

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NEW INTERNATIONAL U.S. POSTAGE RATE

Tom Root brings word of a price increase from the USPO:

For those among us who enjoy QSLing internationally, be advised the UNITED STATES international postage rate is now \$1.15. This is a new 'generic' rate: it buys 2 ounces to Canada and Mexico, and 1 ounce to all other countries.

And as with the 2013 stamps, these very attractive 2014 stamps are circular in design. And to protect our wallets for the future the new stamps are also FOREVER stamps.

(Did the International Postal Union change its regs to allow stamps

without Arabic numeral denominations on them? -kvz)

But US international QSL mailers should also realize that many international recipients are also stamp collectors, and that sometimes our QSL request mailings can be made more attractive to recipients by combining a few other US stamps to total the required \$1.15. Anything we can do to make our QSL request more attractive to the recipient can sometimes serve to increase our return rate!

True, Tom, but conversely, crooks also look for interesting stamps as a visual clue to steal mail and try to get money from rich Americans. These days Nigerian Internet scams get more press, but those of us who QSLd in the '70s were all too familiar with the "Ghana Ghost" who stole mail and then tried to 'convince' you to send money! Sometimes plain is better, and you can include used postage INSIDE the envelope as a 'gift' to entice a response (Ken Zichi, MARE Tipsheet Feb 14 via DXLD)

DIGITAL BROADCASTING --- DRM See ETHIOPIA; RUSSIA; USA; CONVENTIONS  
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DIGITAL BROADCASTING --- DTV See OKLAHOMA  
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MAPLIN AGAIN SELLING POWER LINE BROADBAND

Yet again Maplin is selling units which can transmit radio interference 'mush' to 35 yards away - your neighbours\*.

\*The TP Link AV200 Wireless N300 Powerline Extender Kit uses household wiring they clearly state in the advertisement. I seem to recall Sky applying to market a house-wiring design to radiate satellite from the RF output of their then current boxes 'round the house' which they were told was not licensable so it was withdrawn.

Besides that with the increased efficiency of BT, Sky, Virgin etc. 'hubs' and 'super hubs WiFi in normal property is perfectly easy without illegally miss-using house mains wiring as a massive radiator of FM (and AM -SW) 'mush'. I used to use Maplin's Coventry branch a lot and they are a good firm - so why are they marketing these vile devices? (Rog Parsons (BDXC 782), Hinckley, LE10 0NJ, Feb 14, BDXC-UK yg via DXLD)

Again is misleading in the thread title, Maplins sell 87 powerline devices; other UK retailers sell them as well

<http://www.maplin.co.uk/c/computing-and-office/networking/powerline>  
All perfectly legal, they are a commercial company satisfying customer demand. You can keep up to date with news about radio interference from powerline and other devices at the link below, they also have a forum.

<http://www.ukqrm.org.uk/>  
(Mike Barraclough, ibid.)

There is no "again" about it, they have never stopped selling them even though their technical department have admitted to the interference problems. Another horror I have found is PLT built into mains sockets. Fortunately they are quite expensive so many people would be put off buying two plus the cost of having them fitted.

<http://www.satelliteandaerialsupplies.com/product/?s=pe-200av-t1000-power-ethernet-13-amp-socket-with-4-port-high-speed-managed-ethernet-switch>

It seems neither the government nor Ofcom are prepared to take action until there is a serious incident perhaps involving air traffic control or similar.

What really annoys me is that Freesat advocate their use even though they are part owned by the BBC, a broadcaster at both HF and VHF. I did email Freesat about this but all they said was that PLT was legal. I followed up with another email saying that did answer the question and they then referred me to the BBC. I also wrote to Prospero, the BBC pensioners paper hoping it would be published but it wasn't. I'm sure if it had been there would have been a reaction as many BBC pensioners are SWLs or hams. Rgds, (Gareth Foster, ibid.)

RADIO EQUIPMENT FORUM  
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SHORTWAVE RECEIVERS PAST & PRESENT: IV

MAREite Tom Root sends word that an expanded Fourth Edition of Universal Radio's Shortwave Receivers Past & Present by Fred Osterman is in the works. The projected delivery date is May 15th, 2014, and Universal has not yet priced this edition. The status of this book can be had at <http://www.rcvrpp.com>

I've got the first three editions of this book on the shelf in Shack Zichi and this is long overdue (as the 3rd edition was released in 1998!) and looks to include lots of additional information and newer sets, including SDRs which were something of a novelty item back in '98. Just for reference, the 3rd edition had a sticker price of \$25 (Ken Zichi, MARE Tipsheet Feb 14 via DXLD)

## END OF THE DIAL

Thursday, February 13, 2014 | Categories: Episodes | 3 | Listen:  
<http://www.cbc.ca/ideas/episodes/2014/02/13/end-of-the-dial/>

Newspapers, publishing and the recording industry may all be in deep trouble from online media. But pronouncements about the death of radio are premature. Contributor Garth Mullins believes we're witnessing the dawning of a radio renaissance.

Video was supposed to kill the radio star. Now we're told the internet is going to finish it off. There are budget cuts, radio signals are dropping off the dial and transmitters are being mothballed. But Garth Mullins isn't ready to pull the plug just yet. He's been a radio-head from the start, listening to shortwave, working in community radio and now making programs and podcasts. And he's hearing a radio renaissance.

Garth talks to Elizabeth Hay, author of *Late Nights On Air* about radio in the north. Digital media scholar Ethan Zuckerman argues that radio is still important in a wired world. Garth also meets up with Ryan McMahon, Anishinaabe comedian and podcast media maker. Ira Glass, host of *This American Life*, asks if it's really necessary to make "a radio show that says, aww, radio is great." Well, this is that show.

We hear the story of El Salvador's underground Radio Venceremos and the sounds of Cold War Era Shortwave (thanks to Paul Dougherty). Aljaz Pengov Bitenc from Slovenia's Radio Kaos talks about WWII antifascist transmissions. Radio static art is provided by Anna Friz. Garth tunes into new online radio voices like 99% Invisible, How Sound, Radiolab, and Curious City.

Natural radio recordist Stephen P. McGreevy warns of the continuing need for old-school, terrestrial radio, so that we can talk to each other when the grid goes down.

Check out End of the Dial on Tumblr and follow Garth and Lisa on Twitter. Find Garth's podcasts and other sounds here.

End of the Dial extro theme music by The Quickness (J Dryden / K. Paulson). Garth Mullins & Lisa Hale (CBC via gh, DXLD)

## THE NON-BROADCAST FCC NEEDS TO CHANGE ITS APPROACH

This is from The Broadcasters' Desktop Resource website.

NAB President Gordon Smith stated in words what broadcasters have felt over the past four years or so. In the approximately 50 points that

previous Commission Chair Julius Genachowski cited as his achievements, Smith noted "There was not a single accomplishment outside of the broadband realm. Not one."

Only time will tell if the new Chairman, Tom Wheeler will continue down that path or be influenced by Commissioner Pai's efforts to help AM - and broadcasting in general.

We hope that the latter is the path taken. Broadcast has suffered through neglect, championing of the broadband policies, and by some apparently incompetent moves. For example, the "Window" mode of accepting applications for AM and FM has done little but encourage excessive speculation and filings for stations that were never intended to be built, but that blocked competitors or were sold to other speculators. The lack of enforcement - or even efforts to clarify what the FCC policies are - has led to companies "gaming the system" with silent stations broadcasting only a few minutes a year, translators being moved across states and regions, and other "tricks" that seem totally unrelated to "serving the public."

If the FCC restores - and Congress may be in the shadows on this, with a Telecommunication Act rewrite under consideration - an emphasis on what broadcasting can do, including disaster information, as no other service can do - including the fragile cellular system which is more concerned with how to increase revenue from data streams than truly provide public information - it will be a real benefit to the public.

That is what the FCC is supposed to do. Not sit around pushing rules, policies, and punitive inspections that do little but keep lawyers busy - and Congress should rewrite the EEO rules as well - and prevent stations from addressing the reason for being on the air in the first place: service the public.

The Telecommunications Act of 1996 was, perhaps, one of the worst in terms of making broadcasting stations little more than a commodity, and the resulting speculation has largely fed the streaming and other modes of broadcasting aside from "Over the Air."

We hope the AM Revitalization proceeding under way will lead to some real attention to where broadcast is - and how it can utilize its strengths to grow and be more than "just another source" in the media jungle.

If you have an opinion, there is still time to let the FCC know that broadcast is still important. The "Reply Comment" period has been extended to March 20th. With over 150 Comments, the Commission might get the idea that they need to change their approach to broadcast. And sooner rather than later (via Dennis Gibson, Feb 14, ABDX via DXLD)

## ODD FM ANTENNA

I am posting a picture of an FM antenna which has been in operation for many years. I'm just curious about it, not having seen one of this nature before, so maybe some you radio engineers on the list can fill me in.

This antenna belongs to the South Carolina State College radio station in Orangeburg, South Carolina, WSSB, 90.3 MHz. The FCC website lists them as directional with a sharp null to the northwest. It says they broadcast with and erp of 80 kw horizontal and 72 kw vertical. It is not like any other antenna I have ever seen because it encircles the top of the antenna support. The FCC website lists the antenna manufacturer as ODD, Model ODD850212KW. Any ideas?

View attachments on the web

<<http://groups.yahoo.com/group/ABDX/attachments/folder/834373893/item/list>>  
(Bob Smoak, Bamberg, S. C., ABDX via DXLD)

Robert, Let's see if my memory from when I worked for PBS is still working. The horizontal elements are fed 90° out of phase to give an omnidirectional pattern with horizontal polarization, a variation on the "turnstile antenna" used by most US TV transmitters.

The vertical elements give a vertically polarized signal. They weren't originally used until FM radios in cars started becoming common. The sets of 3 elements would be a full wave apart to increase gain toward the horizon. The horizontal rods on the right/back are steps for the poor Sap who has to change the tower bulb, I'm rather familiar with them :/

Never heard of an antenna manufacturer named ODD, it could be that it was designed by the Electrical Engineering Department and built in the University machine shop, like the campus station at SDSU with a build date of 02/12/85 and someone thought it looked "odd". Or could be a defunct company, hard to say. HTH (Tim Hills, Sioux Falls, SD, iid.)

ODD means "Oddball; usually designed by applicant". I've seen that on the FCC website quite a few times. I've seen hundreds of FM broadcast antennas at transmitter sites but never one that looks like this one.  
[http://www.fccinfo.com/CMDProEngine.php?](http://www.fccinfo.com/CMDProEngine.php?sCurrentService=FM&tabSearchType=Appl&sAppIDNumber=76083)

[sCurrentService=FM&tabSearchType=Appl&sAppIDNumber=76083](http://www.fccinfo.com/CMDProEngine.php?sCurrentService=FM&tabSearchType=Appl&sAppIDNumber=76083)

Sent from my iPad (Dennis Gibson, ibid.)

## RADIO WAVES DISCOVERY

Dear friends: To understand how the RADIO WAVES were discovered, please, click on: H E R T Z.

<http://www.fefibra.org.br/textos.asp?id=426>  
Have fun (Fabio Flosi, radiostamps yg via DXLD)

PROPAGATION  
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#### PROPAGATION PRIMERS

Someone asked me for advice on reading up about propagation:

I thought that ARRL had their own book on the subject, but their store has only this one from Britain:  
<http://www.arrl.org/shop/Radio-Propagation-Principles-and-Practice>

I haven't read it, but I imagine it goes into considerable depth. ARRL's major book, Radio Amateur's Handbook probably has a chapter on propagation. Should be in libraries.

Each edition of the World Radio TV Handbook has an article about propagation for the year in question, with table of ``most suitable frequencies``. 2014 has it on pages 42-43.

There are bound to be articles on the web about this if you search them out.

Basically, one needs to be aware of what time of day it is at the transmitter location, and the approximate path to receiver location, whether it's daylight or darkness or both, to evaluate the likelihood of higher or lower frequencies propagating. Once you understand this, you can reliably rule in or out certain possibilities from the listings (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGSET)

Geomagnetic activity forecast for the period February 14 - March 12, 2014

Geomagnetic field will be:

quiet on February 19 - 20, 22, 27 - 28, March 1, 4 - 6, 12,  
mostly quiet on February 24, 26, March 2, 7, 11,  
quiet to unsettled on February 16 - 18, 21, 23, March 3, 8 - 10,  
quiet to active on February 14, 25,  
active to disturbed on February 15.

Amplification of the solar wind is expected on February 14 - 16.  
In other period can not currently be predicted with regard to the significant changes in the configuration of active regions.

Remarks:

- Reliability of predictions is temporary reduced with respect

to significant changes in the configuration of active regions.  
- Parenthesis means lower probability of activity enhancement.  
- If until April 2014 (possible secondary maximum) solar activity will not reach similar or higher level as in November 2011, then 2012 will remain to be the maximum of 24 cycle ( $R = 70$ ). And vice versa.

F. K. Janda, OK1HH, Czech Propagation Interest Group  
(OK1HH & OK1MGW, weekly forecasts since 1978)  
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Highlights of Solar and Geomagnetic Activity 10 - 16 February 2014

Solar activity ranged from low to high levels during the period with Region 1974 ( $S_{12}$ ,  $L=354$ , class/area Fkc/990 on 14 February) as the major source of flaring activity during the period. Region 1974 continued its growth and development phase during its transit and quickly became the largest and most magnetically complex (beta-gamma-delta) region on the visible disk. This region was responsible for a total of 33 C-class flares and 14 M-class flares.

The period began on 10 February at low levels with mostly low level C-class activity mainly attributable to Region 1974. By 11-12 February, solar activity increased to moderate levels as Region 1974 produced 5 M-class flares including an M1/1n flare at 11/0331 UTC and an M3/2n flare (the largest of the period) at 12/0425 UTC. The M1/1n flare on 11 February was associated with Type II (873 km/s) and IV radio sweeps as well as a faint, asymmetric halo coronal mass ejection (CME) with an approximate speed of 480 km/s. A 15 degree filament eruption was observed lifting off the visible disk at approximately 11/0332 UTC. The filament eruption was associated with a partially Earth-directed CME with an estimated speed of 776 km/s. The M3/2n flare, observed on 12 February, was also associated with a halo CME with an estimated speed near 743 km/s. Solar activity reached high levels on 13 February as Region 1974 produced 5 M1 flares. Moderate levels continued on 14 February as Region 1974 produced 4 M-class flares including an M1/Sb flare at 14/1639 UTC with an associated Tenflare (200 sfu). Low levels were observed on 15 February. By 16 February, moderate levels were once again reached as

Region 1977 (S09, L=290, class/area Ekc/460 on 13 February) produced an M1/Sn at 16/0926 UTC with an associated Type IV radio sweep. An associated partial halo CME (estimated speed of 425 km/s) appeared in SOHO/LASCO C2 imagery at 16/1325 UTC with a weak Earth-directed component.

No proton events were observed at geosynchronous orbit.

The greater than 2 MeV electron flux at geosynchronous orbit was at high levels on 10 February and again from 13-15 February. Moderate levels were observed on 11-12 February with normal levels observed on 16 February.

The geomagnetic field began the period under the influence of a negative polarity coronal hole high speed stream (CH HSS). Solar wind speeds increased to 570 km/s briefly by late on 10 February with total field measurements from 5 nT to 7 nT. Quiet to active conditions were observed on 10 February as a result. Solar wind conditions slowly decreased over the next few days to nominal levels. Quiet to unsettled levels were observed on 11 and 12 February with quiet levels on 13 and 14 February. At 15/1234 UTC, an interplanetary shock was observed at the ACE spacecraft indicating the arrival of a combination of CMEs from 11 and 12 February. Solar wind speed increased from 400 km/s to 487 km/s with the total field increasing from 6 nT to 16 nT. The Bz component was mostly north near +15 nT the majority of the period with short deviations southward near -13 nT. A geomagnetic sudden impulse of 23 nT was observed at the Hartland magnetometer at 15/1311 UTC. Mostly unsettled conditions continued from mid day on 15 February with a minor storm period observed late in the period. By 16 February, CME effects continued to influence the geomagnetic field with solar wind speed declining to near 366 km/s by the end of the period. Total field ranged from 2 nT to 17 nT with the Bz component between +17 nT and -10 nT. The geomagnetic field responded with quiet to minor storm levels.

#### FORECAST OF SOLAR AND GEOMAGNETIC ACTIVITY 17 FEBRUARY - 15 MARCH 2014

Solar activity is expected to be at low to moderate conditions through the period. An increase to a chance for X-flare activity is expected from 22 February through 07 March with the return of old Regions 1967 (S12, L=112) and 1968 (N09, L=109).

A slight chance exists for a greater than 10 MeV proton event due to potential flare activity from old Region 1967 as it rotates across the visible disk from 22 February through 07 March.

The greater than 2 MeV electron flux at geosynchronous orbit is expected to be at normal to moderate levels through the period with a chance for high levels on 17-18 February due to CME effects and again

on 09-10 March due to CH HSS influence.

Geomagnetic field activity is expected to be mostly quiet through the period. Quiet to unsettled periods are expected on 20-21 February due to a possible glancing blow from the 16 February CME. Quiet to unsettled levels are also expected on 25 February, 09 March, and 11 March due to CH HSS effects.

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# Product description and SWPC contact on the Web

# <http://www.swpc.noaa.gov/wwire.html>

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# 27-day Space Weather Outlook Table

# Issued 2014-02-17

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| # UTC       | Radio Flux | Planetary | Largest  |
|-------------|------------|-----------|----------|
| # Date      | 10.7 cm    | A Index   | Kp Index |
| 2014 Feb 17 | 150        | 12        | 3        |
| 2014 Feb 18 | 145        | 5         | 2        |
| 2014 Feb 19 | 135        | 5         | 2        |
| 2014 Feb 20 | 135        | 8         | 3        |
| 2014 Feb 21 | 135        | 8         | 3        |
| 2014 Feb 22 | 140        | 5         | 2        |
| 2014 Feb 23 | 145        | 5         | 2        |
| 2014 Feb 24 | 155        | 5         | 2        |
| 2014 Feb 25 | 155        | 8         | 3        |
| 2014 Feb 26 | 160        | 5         | 2        |
| 2014 Feb 27 | 165        | 5         | 2        |
| 2014 Feb 28 | 170        | 5         | 2        |
| 2014 Mar 01 | 170        | 5         | 2        |
| 2014 Mar 02 | 170        | 5         | 2        |
| 2014 Mar 03 | 175        | 5         | 2        |
| 2014 Mar 04 | 175        | 5         | 2        |
| 2014 Mar 05 | 175        | 5         | 2        |
| 2014 Mar 06 | 175        | 5         | 2        |
| 2014 Mar 07 | 170        | 5         | 2        |
| 2014 Mar 08 | 165        | 5         | 2        |
| 2014 Mar 09 | 160        | 10        | 3        |
| 2014 Mar 10 | 155        | 5         | 2        |
| 2014 Mar 11 | 150        | 8         | 3        |
| 2014 Mar 12 | 145        | 5         | 2        |
| 2014 Mar 13 | 145        | 5         | 2        |
| 2014 Mar 14 | 145        | 5         | 2        |
| 2014 Mar 15 | 145        | 5         | 2        |

(SWPC via WORLD OF RADIO 1709, DXLD) ###